BUFFALO WATER BOARD MINUTES
September 5, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Oluwole A. McFoy
Gerald Kelly
Michael Finn
William Sunderlin

OTHERS PRESENT:
Peter Merlo
Jack McMahon
David Hill
Ken Maving
Charles Martorana
Stephen Waldvogel
Damon Sykes
Michael Carson
Patrick Martin
Lisa Foti

The regular monthly meeting of the Buffalo Water Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

1. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve the minutes from the August 9, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

2. Staff Update: Mr. Hill with Veolia Water provided a staffing update to the Buffalo Water Board.

3. The Buffalo Water Board continued discussions regarding water rates and a Water Affordability Program.

4. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the City Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Finn for funding a Watermain Betterment project at the Allen Street Streetscape in an amount not-to-exceed $999,190.00, to be administered by the City of Buffalo. Seconded by Mr. Kelly. Approved.

5. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the City Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to increase the Buffalo Water Board’s funding for a contract by the City of Buffalo with URS Corporation (AECOM) for additional services to its Michigan Avenue / City Ship Canal Watermain Crossing Project (contract # 93001523) in an amount not-to-exceed $25,757.00. This contract will continue to be administered by the City of Buffalo, Division of Water. Seconded by Mr. Kelly. Approved.

6. Mr. Waldvogel of GHD Consulting Services, Inc. delivered a report of GHD’s on-going professional services to assist the Buffalo Water Board on a number of projects, including: the Massachusetts Avenue Pumping Plant electrical upgrade project, Capital Planning, design for influent screen replacement, the on-going Affordability Analysis, load testing of the back-up generators, the RFP process and working with Sprint on the possibility of using our water towers for additional cellular equipment.

7. Mr. Hill and Mr. Sykes from Veolia Water presented and reviewed Veolia Water’s monthly management report with the Buffalo Water Board. They reported that revenue for the previous month was higher than budgeted, the Customer Satisfaction Survey has been mailed, and a telephone upgrade is scheduled to be implemented in mid-September.
Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to adjourn at 8:44 A.M. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

Next meeting, Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 8:00 A.M. This meeting will be in Room 502 in City Hall.