

**BUFFALO WATER BOARD MINUTES**  
**November 13, 2019**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Oluwole A. McFoy**  
**Gerald Kelly**  
**Steven Stepniak**  
**William Sunderlin**

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

**Peter Merlo**  
**Jack McMahan**  
**Allison Lack**  
**Ken Maving**  
**Stephen Waldvogel**  
**Damon Sykes**  
**William Appenheimer**  
**Doug Fultz**  
**Charles Martorana**  
**Cassandra Barrett**  
**Lisa Woodring**

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

1. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin, seconded by Mr. Stepniak to approve the agenda. Approved.  
  
Motion by Mr. Sunderlin, seconded by Mr. Stepniak to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2019 meeting. Approved.
2. There were no public comments at this meeting.
3. Staff Update: Mr. Fultz with Veolia Water provided a staffing update to the Buffalo Water Board.
4. Cassandra Barrett and Lisa Woodring with Feed More WNY spoke to the Buffalo Water Board about the possibility of hosting a fund raising event at the Colonel Ward Water Treatment Facility at the end of March 2020. They plan to tour the facility to determine whether the facility is suitable for the proposed event. The Buffalo Water Board will await the report on their visit and inspection.
5. Mr. McFoy provided an update on the Residential Affordable Water Program.
6. Upon the recommendation of the Ms. Lack and Mr. Martorana, attorneys for the Buffalo Water Board, motion made by Mr. Stepniak, seconded by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize a Resolution for the Buffalo Water Board on Revisions to Regulations to Protect Residents with Lead Service Pipes and Make Other Updates. Approved. A copy of the resolution is attached.
7. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water and DiDonato Engineering & Architectural Professionals, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin, seconded by Mr. Stepniak to authorize funding a Water Betterment in connection with a contract between the City of Buffalo and Mark Cerrone Inc. on the Lower Main Street project for Rehabilitation of 48-inch Waterline Joint Seals, in an amount not to exceed \$379,722.00. The project and contract will be administered by the City of Buffalo, Division of Engineering. Approved
8. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin, seconded by Mr. Stepniak to authorize an increase in funding for an existing contract with the University of Buffalo Water Distribution Research. (Contract Number

93002046). The project and contract will be administered by the City of Buffalo, Division of Water in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.00. Approved

9. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water and Erdman Anthony and Associates, Inc., motion made by Mr. Stepniak, seconded by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize funding for a contract with 4<sup>th</sup> Generation Construction, Inc. for the Large Valve Replacement Project- Various Locations Project. The project and contract will be administered by the City of Buffalo, Division of Water in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,185,800.00. Approved. The following Bids were received:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid</u>
4 <sup>th</sup> Generation Construction, Inc.	\$1,185,800.00
Destro & Bros. Concrete Co., Inc.	\$1,270,000.00
Kandey Co., Inc.	\$1,496,600.00
E & R General Construction., Inc.	\$2,238,110.00

10. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Stepniak to authorize Veolia Water to contract for Uninterrupted Power Source (UPS) at the Colonel Ward Water Treatment Facility. The project and contract will be administered by Veolia Water in an amount not-to-exceed \$250,000.00 inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee for services. Approved
11. Mr. Maving of GHD Consulting Services, Inc. presented a summary of the invoices to be paid to Veolia Water and recommended payment to Veolia Water for services rendered as follows:
- a) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin, seconded by Mr. Kelly to approve payment of \$127,519.31, inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee for services by Destro & Brothers Concrete Co. for Emergency Watermain Repair. Approved
  - b) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin, seconded by Mr. Kelly to approve payment of \$61,269.87, inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee for services by Great Lakes Plumbing for Emergency Service Repair. Approved
12. 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 new screen project is on-going with both screens installed and operational, review of the Filter Upgrade Project contract documents, and GHD is continuing to progress the Buffalo Water Board's Request For Proposals for Professional Management Services.
13. Mr. Fultz of Veolia Water presented Veolia Water's monthly management report with the Buffalo Water Board. He reported that on October 17, 2019, a full-scale trial operation using the on-site generators to run the Colonel Ward Water Treatment Facility was successfully completed. Testing of water for blue green algae was completed and results should be available in a couple weeks, the American Water Infrastructure Act is a new Federal requirement requiring updating of our vulnerability evaluation.

Motion by Mr. Sunderlin, seconded by Mr. Stepniak to adjourn at 9:04 A.M. Approved.

Next meeting, Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at 8:00 A.M. This meeting will be in the Room 502 City Hall.