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SARATOGA COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015 @ 2:30P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman John Lawler, Supervisor Anita Daly, Supervisor Arthur Johnson, Supervisor Patrick Ziegler (arrived at 2:35 p.m. due to a previous commitment), Treasurer Kevin King, SCWA Board Member Tom Cumm; Ed Hernandez, Executive Director, and SCWA Special Counsel Leah Everhart, Esq. **Absent:** James Smith, SCWA Board Member. Also in attendance were: Mr. Michael Russo, Mr. Greg Connors and Mr. Steve Grasso of Global Foundries.

Chairman Lawler called the regular meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Motion was made by Mr. Cumm and seconded by Mr. Johnson to adopt the draft minutes of the June 25, 2015 Board Meeting minutes as the official minutes of that meeting. Mr. King abstained from the voting. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Cumm and seconded by Chairman Lawler to adopt the draft minutes of the June 25, 2015 Personnel Committee minutes as the official minutes of that meeting. Mr. King abstained from the voting. Motion carried.

(As is the practice of the Board, the Board waived a reading of the draft minutes and the adopted minutes include the long form resolutions that were passed at said meeting and the Board waived the reading of the long form resolutions.)

Reports:

Production: Ed Hernandez, Executive Director, reported that production data for the month of June 2015 at 5.812 MGD. He noted that during June there were several rainy days which affected demand.

Financial: Mr. Hernandez discussed the financial reports through June 30, 2015. Budgeted expenses were \$967k and actual expenses were \$781k. Revenues year to date were budgeted at \$2.33 million and actual revenues were \$2.78 million. Mr. Hernandez stated that net income to date was \$1.1 million.

Capital Projects Update: Through June 30th, 2015, \$4.3 million has been spent on the DBP Project Upgrades and \$99k has been spent on the SPDES Outfall Project.

Motion to authorize the payment of the vouchers for the month at a total cost of \$108,624.45 in operating costs, \$2,224.00 in SPDES Outfall Project Costs, \$459.00 in DBP Project costs and \$477.14

in Original Construction costs, as reviewed previously by Kevin King, Treasurer. Mr. King mentioned the most notable payments for vault work and the mowing of the pipeline. **Mr. Cumm moved to authorize that vouchers be approved for payment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ziegler. Motion passed unanimously.**

The Board scheduled the next meeting of the SCWA Board of Directors for **2:30 p.m. on August 27th, 2015** at the Water Plant in the Town of Moreau.

Ms. Everhart, Special Counsel of Miller, Mannix, reported on ongoing legal matters. She discussed the necessary easement from Brookfield Power for the outfall project, and some final changes to the Town of Stillwater contract that were agreed upon by all parties.

Mr. Hernandez then discussed two items in the Boards' packets. The first being the draft letter to NYS DEC regarding some minor violations from their site visit for the Chemical Bulk Storage inspection. The second item was a letter received from a Debby Zetterstrom. The SCWA has a permanent easement with the Zetterstrom Family. The letter contained her concerns regarding the crossing of the easement by the contractor hired to mow the pipeline. She expressed concerns regarding the gates to the property being left open during the mowing. She also expressed concerns about a beaver problem associated with the County Sewer Line construction. Mr. Hernandez stated that a letter had been sent to the mowing contractor to follow proper procedures when crossing that portion of the pipeline. He informed the Board that Ms. Zetterstrom would be given the appropriate contact information for her concerns regarding the beaver problem and the County Sewer Line. Chairman Lawler noted that due to a history of issues with this particular easement, he wanted the Board to be fully apprised of this matter.

The final item was a request from Mr. Hernandez to grant overtime pay to the part-time water operator. He discussed that if a full time employee were covering those days the Authority would have to pay overtime. He stated that the additional annual cost to the Authority would be approximately \$500 and would be available from the Contingency line in the budget. **Motion was made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Cumm to grant the part-time employee overtime pay for any of the SCWA legal holidays he works. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion was made at 2:50 p.m. by Mr. Cumm to adjourn to Executive Session for purposes of discussing privileged attorney client matters. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ziegler. Unanimous.

At 4:30 p.m. Motion to return to open session was made by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Daly. Unanimous.

At 4:35 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Cumm. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol A. Alden, Confidential Secretary