

**KINGSTON BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 10, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on May 10, 2017 in the Department's offices at Jansen Avenue. Present were President Dennis Crosswell, Mayor Steven Noble, Commissioners Robert Niedzielski, Joanne Seche, Margaret Gruner, and Harold Bonavita-Goldman. Also in attendance were Superintendent Hansen, Assistant Secretary Allan Alberts, Attorney William Cloonan, Council Liaison Reynolds Scott-Childress, and James Caggiano.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Seche and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bills in the amount of \$292,224.27 dated 4/19/17; \$28,937.39 dated 4/26/17; \$28,959.31 dated 5/3/17; and \$85,914.60 dated 5/10/17 were ordered paid as audited on a motion by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Gruner. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the RFP for Energy Performance Contracting from Johnson Controls. It was decided to postpone the vote to move forward with the project until more questions were researched and answered.

The Board was informed that plans were forthcoming on the SCADA System Project.

The Board discussed the NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2017 (WIIA). A motion was made by Commissioner Gruner and seconded by Commissioner Seche authorizing KWD to request approval from the City Common Council to pursue funding from NYSEFC for a project total not to exceed \$1,500,000. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board was updated on the Binnewater UPS Installation Project. It was reported that the plans and specifications had been received.

The Board was informed that there was nothing new to report on the Cooper Lake Dam Improvements. It was reported that a meeting did take place with Assemblyman Kevin Cahill and Senator George Amedore concerning the funding issues for major dam improvements. As a result of the meeting, a letter will be sent to the Commissioner of NYSDEC, from Assemblyman Cahill and Senator Amedore, requesting that NYSDEC include language authorizing projects related to dam upgrades and restoration to be available from the Water Infrastructure Act.

The Board discussed the Transmission Main Rehab Project. It was reported that the loose ends for the preliminary work were being tied up.

The Board was informed that tree trimming was necessary for the property at Cooper Lake. RFP's had been submitted and it was reported that the lowest proposal was from Superior Tree in the amount of \$4,500. A motion was made by Commissioner Gruner and seconded by

Commissioner Goldman to award the contract to Superior Tree at a cost not to exceed \$4,500. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed a notice of violation from the DEC related to the lagoons at the Water Treatment Plant. It was reported that an extension had been granted by the NYSDEC.

The Board discussed accepting electronic and faxed signatures on vouchers. A motion was made by Commissioner Goldman and seconded by Commissioner Seche to accept electronic and faxed signatures on KWD vouchers effective immediately.

President Crosswell disbursed the new Board Committee Assignments.

The Board acknowledged Superintendent Hansen's receipt of the John M. Diven award from AWWA.

There was nothing reported for correspondence.

The April Superintendent's Report was read and ordered filed on a motion by Commissioner Gruner and seconded by Commissioner Goldman. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Seche and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 6:06 pm. A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Commissioner Seche and seconded by Commissioner Gruner at 6:29 pm. Motions carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Goldman and seconded by Commissioner Gruner at 6:30 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Allan P. Alberts
Assistant Secretary

