

WATER AUTHORITY OF WESTERN NASSAU COUNTY
Minutes of the Meeting of December 16, 2013

Location: 1580 Union Turnpike, New Hyde Park

Attendance: George Bakich Town of Hempstead
Bart Brown Village of Garden City
Chris Gorman Village of Stewart Manor
Dominick Longobardi Village of Floral Park
Arlene McMullan Village of South Floral
Susan Powderly Village of Bellerose
Marianna Wohlgemuth Town of North Hempstead

Absent: Reid Sakowich Village of New Hyde Park
Aly Kayne Town of Hempstead

Legal Counsel: D. Minerva, Minerva & D'Agostino, P.C.

Engineer: Robert Lucas

Water Authority: M. Tierney, Superintendent; J. Conroy, Treasurer, R. Swartz, Chief Engineer, J. Varley, Director of Human Resources

In Mr. Ryan's absence, Mr. Minerva called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and asked D. Longobardi to lead the salute to the flag.

Resolution #060/13/14 Approval of Minutes

Motion by M. Wohlgemuth seconded by G. Bakich to approve the Minutes of the meeting of October 28, 2013.

Open for discussion. Vote: For: 7 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #061/13/14 Approval of Minutes

Motion by M. Wohlgemuth seconded by A. McMullan to approve the Minutes of the meeting of December 2, 2013.

Open for discussion. Vote: For: 7 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 Motion unanimously carried.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Conroy reported on the financial position of the Water Authority for the period 11/1/13 to 11/30/13. The report was made a part of the record and appended to the minutes.

Resolution #062/13/14 Approval of Warrants

Motion by G. Bakich, seconded by D. Longobardi to approve and pay the outstanding Accounts Payable warrants for the period November 1, 2013 thru December 3, 2013 in the amount of \$1,203,282.80. Mr. Tierney addressed questions from the Board.

Open for discussion. Vote: For: 7 Against: 0 Abstentions: 0 Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #063/13/14 Bond Fund Account

Motion by D. Longobardi, seconded by A. McMullan to approve capital expenditure items of the warrants from the Chase Capital Reserve fund in the amount of \$112,900.09. Mr. Tierney addressed questions from the Board.

Open for discussion. Vote: For: 7 Against: 0 Abstentions: 0 Motion unanimously passed.

Superintendent's Report

M. Tierney reported on the status of the Water Authority as of December 12, 2013.

Attorney's Report

Resolution #064/13/14 Medical Insurance Renewal

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter "Water Authority") has received a memorandum from Janice Varley, Director of Human Resources of the Water Authority recommending that the Water Authority approve the automatic renewal of medical insurance coverage with the New York State Health Insurance Plan (NYSHIP), effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for Water Authority employees;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of M. Wohlgemuth seconded by A. McMullan,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Water Authority hereby approves the renewal of medical insurance coverage with NYSHIP, effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for Water Authority employees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 1 employees of the Water Authority shall contribute ten (10%) percent to the cost of the premium for the NYSHIP plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 2 employees of the Water Authority shall contribute fifteen (15%) percent to the cost of the premium for the NYSHIP plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 1 retirees of the Water Authority shall contribute the same percentage to the cost of coverage as approved by the NYSHIP resolution number 045/09/10 for the NYSHIP plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 2 retirees of the Water Authority shall contribute the same percentage to the cost of coverage as approved by the Tier 2 resolution number 015/11/12 for the NYSHIP plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Water Authority authorizes the elimination of all other medical insurance plans currently offered.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	<u>1.3</u>	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #065/13/14 Life Insurance & AD&D Renewal

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter “Water Authority”) has received memorandum from Janice Varley, Director of Human Resources of the Water Authority, recommending renewal of the Water Authority’s life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment plans with Guardian; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid memorandum states that the Water Authority has received a quote from Guardian for the renewal of the life insurance at the rate of \$0.29 per \$1,000 and accidental death and dismemberment insurance at the rate of \$0.03 per \$1,000;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of M. Wohlgenuth, seconded by D. Longobardi,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Water Authority hereby authorizes the renewal of its life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance with Guardian at the rate of \$0.29 per \$1,000 for life insurance and \$0.03 per \$1,000 for accidental death and dismemberment insurance, effective February 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	<u>1.3</u>	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #066/13/14 Long-Term Disability Coverage Renewal

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter “Water Authority”) has received a memorandum from Janice Varley, Director of Human Resources of the Water Authority, recommending that the Water Authority renew its long-term disability coverage with Guardian; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid memorandum states that the Water Authority has received a quote from Guardian for long-term disability insurance at the rate of \$0.43 per \$100 of monthly coverage;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of C. Gorman, seconded by S. Powderly,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Water Authority hereby authorizes the renewal of its long-term disability coverage with Guardian at the rate of \$0.43 per \$100 of monthly coverage, effective February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	1.3	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #067/13/14 Dental Insurance Renewal

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter “Water Authority”) has received a memorandum from Janice Varley, Director of Human Resources of the Water Authority, recommending renewal of the Water Authority’s dental insurance plan with Guardian effective February 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015 at monthly rates as follows:

<u>Dental Coverage:</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>
Individual	\$ 52.16
Employee/Spouse	\$104.57
Employee/Child	\$129.20
Family	\$181.71

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of C. Gorman, seconded by D. Longobardi,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Water Authority hereby approves the renewal of the Water Authority’s dental insurance plan with The Guardian effective February 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015 at the following rates:

<u>Dental Coverage:</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>
Individual	\$ 52.16
Employee/Spouse	\$104.57
Employee/Child	\$129.20
Family	\$181.71

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 1 employees of the Water Authority shall contribute ten (10%) percent to the cost of the premium for the dental insurance plan with the Guardian; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 2 employees of the Water Authority shall contribute fifteen (15%) percent to the cost of the premium for the dental insurance plan with the Guardian.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	<u>1.3</u>	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #068/13/14 Vision Insurance Renewal

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter “Water Authority”) has received a memorandum from Janice Varley, Director of Human Resources of the Water Authority, recommending renewal of the Water Authority’s vision insurance plan with Guardian; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid memorandum states that the Water Authority has received a quote from Guardian for vision insurance at the rate of \$3.42/month for individual coverage and \$7.36/month for family coverage;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of M. Wohlgemuth, seconded by D. Longobardi,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Water Authority hereby authorizes the renewal of its vision insurance coverage with the Guardian at the rates of \$3.42/month for individual coverage and \$7.36/month for family coverage, effective February 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 1 employees of the Water Authority shall contribute ten (10%) percent to the cost of the premium for the vision insurance plan with the Guardian; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tier 2 employees of the Water Authority shall contribute fifteen (15%) percent to the cost of the premium for the vision insurance plan with the Guardian.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	<u>1.3</u>	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #069/13/14 Tank No. 19 Rehabilitation

WHEREAS, the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter “Water Authority”) is a Public Authority organized pursuant to New York State Public Authorities Law (hereinafter “PAL”) section 1198-a et seq.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 1198-f(12) of the PAL, the Water Authority has the power to retain or employ engineers and private consultants on a contract basis or otherwise for rendering professional or technical services and advice; and

WHEREAS, the Water Authority is rehabilitating the elevated water tank known as “Tank No. 19” and requires an engineer to prepare the plans and specifications for the work, perform construction administration and construction inspection throughout the project; and

WHEREAS, Holzmacher, McLendon & Murrell, P.C. (hereinafter “H2M”) submitted a proposal to perform said engineering services for the sum of \$226,500.00; and

WHEREAS, a written recommendation was forwarded to the Board of Directors by Robert Swartz recommending that the Water Authority engage the services of H2M to prepare the plans and specifications for the work, perform construction administration and construction inspection throughout the project in accordance with its submitted proposal;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of D. Longobardi, seconded by G. Bakich,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposal of H2M in the amount of \$226,500.00 to prepare the plans and specifications for the work, perform construction administration and construction inspection throughout the project is hereby accepted; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Water Authority be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract, in a form acceptable to Counsel, with H2M for said purposes.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	<u>1.3</u>	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution #070/13/14 Printing & Billing Services

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter "Water Authority") entered into an agreement with Infosend to perform printing and billing services to the Water Authority; and

WHEREAS, Article 6 of the aforesaid contract provides the Water Authority with the option to elect to extend the contract for an additional one year term, upon ninety days written notice, with no price increase; and

WHEREAS, a written recommendation was sent to the Board of Directors by Al Kolakowski, Director of Customer Service of the Water Authority, recommending extending the term of the aforesaid contract for the additional one year term;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of S. Powderly, seconded by A. McMullan,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Water Authority be and hereby is authorized to transmit written notification to Infosend of the Water Authority’s exercise of its option to extend the term of the aforesaid contract for the additional one year term.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	<u>1.3</u>	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried.

Resolution#071/13/14 Excel Builders Change Order

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Western Nassau County (hereinafter “Water Authority”) entered into a contract with Excel Builders Group, Inc. (hereinafter “Excel”) to perform General Construction Work in connection with construction of Phase II (Main Building), of the Water Authority’s project to construct a new headquarters building; and

WHEREAS, the Water Authority has received an additional work order from Excel, as detailed in the memorandum dated November 25, 2013 from Michael J. Tierney, Superintendent to the Board of Directors in the total amount of \$5,692.50 in connection with construction of Phase II (Main Building) of the Water Authority’s project to construct a new headquarters building; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Water Authority and the Water Authority’s Architect, Angelo Francis Corva, have recommended that the Board of Directors approve said change order;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of D. Longobardi, seconded by B. Brown,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the additional work order from Excel as detailed in the memorandum dated November 25, 2013 from Michael J. Tierney, Superintendent to the Board of Directors in the total amount of \$5,692.50 is hereby approved and that payment of said amount is hereby approved as an additional warrant item to be paid from the 2010 Construction Fund.

Open for discussion and roll call vote.

Town of Hempstead	26.4	Aye
Town of Hempstead	26.4	Absent
Village of Floral Park	17.0	Aye
Village of New Hyde Park	11.2	Absent
Town of North Hempstead	12.4	Aye
Village of Stewart Manor	2.4	Aye
Village of Bellerose	1.5	Aye
Village of South Floral Park	1.4	Aye
Village of Garden City	<u>1.3</u>	Aye
TOTAL	62.4	

Motion unanimously carried

Resolution #072/13/14 Executive Session

Motion by G. Bakich, seconded by B. Brown for the Board to go into Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation, contracts and personnel.

Open for discussion. Vote: For: 7 Against: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion passed and the Board went into Executive Session at 7:40 PM.

Resolution #073/13/14 Executive Session

Motion by D. Longobardi seconded by A. McMullan for the Board to come out of Executive Session.

Open for discussion. Vote: For: 7 Against: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion passed and the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:15 PM.

Date of Next Meeting January 20, 2014

Resolution #074/13/14 Adjournment

Motion by G. Bakich, seconded by S. Powderly to adjourn.

Open for discussion. Vote: For: 7 Against: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion unanimously carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted



Dominick Minerva
Secretary