

The Onondaga County Water Authority met in regular session on April 14, 2010. Members of the Authority present were R. Tomeny, F. Picardi, E. Gilligan and S. Miller.

Others present: M. Hooker, A. Geiss, T. Pickard, L. Khanzadian, G. Miller, and C. Marvin.

I. R. Tomeny called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

II. Minutes of the regular Board meeting, Governance Committee meeting and Audit Committee meeting of March 17, 2010 were approved by all Members on Motion by F. Picardi, duly seconded by E. Gilligan.

Minutes of the Special Board meeting of April 13, 2010 were approved by all Members on Motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by E. Gilligan.

III. R. Tomeny reported on the recent County Legislative Committee meeting where Board member benefits and compensation were discussed. R. Tomeny indicates that there were three draft resolutions for consideration sponsored by Legislators Corbett and Masterpole. The resolutions are scheduled to be reviewed and discussed at the next Ways & Means Committee meeting.

IV. M. HOOKER REPORTED:

- M. Hooker introduced C. Marvin, Accounting Manager. F. Picardi, Audit Committee Chair, requested that the Board convene as the Audit Committee.

On Motion by E. Gilligan, duly seconded by S. Miller, with all Members approving, the Board adjourned the regular Board meeting at 12:40 p.m., and convened as the Audit Committee.

- A copy of the Minutes of the Audit Committee is attached to these Minutes.

On Motion by R. Tomeny, duly seconded by E. Gilligan, with all Members approving, the Board reconvened the regular Board meeting at 1:45p.m. Present were all Board members and staff previously noted.

- The Board received and reviewed the report of the Audit Committee.

On Motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by E. Gilligan, with one Member abstaining and remaining Members approving, the Board agreed to accept and adopt the recommendations of the Audit Committee as listed below:

- Accept Quarterly Investment Report
- Accept Procurement Report for submission to ABO
- Approve Bond Refinancing Resolutions
- Authorize Western Reservoir ARRA audit by Dermody Burke & Brown

- M. Hooker reviewed the required Fiduciary responsibilities and collected the signed forms from Board members.
- Reported on water sales and reviewed the Water Sales Analysis report through March 31, 2010.
- Town of Clay review will be conducted in the next few months.
- Business Office bill print agreement is under review to clarify the expiration date of the agreement.
- NYS Procurement audit has been released to the public.
- Reviewed the proposed legislation that will be introduced by Joan Christensen regarding construction of Town water districts by OCWA.

- Met with County Executive Mahoney and Administrator for Physical Services, Jean Smiley, to discuss many topics of common interest including water system development, green initiatives, and coordination of efforts.
- Vehicle maintenance bid specifications are being prepared.

#### IV. A. GEISS REPORTED:

- Reviewed the Chief Engineer's Report.
- Provided an update on the Otisco Lake level which is currently at +7.25"
- Provided an update on the Town of Otisco, Vesper Hills project indicating that OCWA is investigating the availability of water and to date has given no approval or commitment for water.
- Attended the Otisco Lake Preservation Committee meeting on April 7, 2010. Committee is developing a survey which OCWA will distribute during watershed inspections.
- The "Otisco Shuffle" is scheduled for June 12, 2010 as a fundraiser for the Otisco Lake Preservation Association.
- Work is scheduled to begin on Reed Street in the Village of Marcellus.
- Western Tank contractor, Natgun, continues to work on the roof. The last quadrant is scheduled for April 15, 2010.
- Eastern tank contractor, DYK, continues to work on wall and floor sections.
- Provided information on topsoil received from We Care Organic, the newly selected vendor for topsoil. The quality is poor including visible pieces of glass and plastic. In addition, odor is present which if used may lead to customer complaints. Compliance with delivery specifications is also a problem. After discussion, it was agreed that OCWA will put We Care Organics on notice, with three days to resolve or move to the second bidder.

On Motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by F. Picardi, with all Members approving, the Board authorized moving to the second bidder if We Care fails to provide timely delivery of acceptable topsoil as outlined.

- Reviewed the status on trench shields that OCWA regularly uses. OCWA currently has five sets of trench shields that are in need of additional parts, spreaders etc. Due to the differences in design from manufacturers, OCWA is requesting to standardize the purchase with one manufacturer, GME.

On Motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by E. Gilligan, with all Members approving, authorized the standardization of GME shoring and additional parts.

- G. Miller reported on the Water Treatment Plant project. Anticipated completion of the project is scheduled for June 2010. Distributed and reviewed the WTP project summary, specifically outlining the expenditures to date and the contingency funding for additional work.
- Reviewed Change Order #11 for \$81,408.75 which outlined six items.

On Motion by F. Picardi, duly seconded by E. Gilligan, with all Members approving, the Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$81,408.75 for items outlined in change Order #11.

- Discussed the proposed Change Order #12 with an estimate of approximately \$110,000.00.

#### V. LEGAL REPORT



On Motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by F. Picardi, the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting at 3:35p.m.

The next Authority meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at 12:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Khanzadian, Recording Secretary