

The Onondaga County Water Authority met in regular session on July 18, 2012. Members of the Authority present were R. Tomeny, F. Picardi, S. Miller, E. Gilligan, and J. Bianchini.

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 of June 18, 2012 were, on motion by F. Picardi, seconded by J. Bianchini, approved by all Members.

III. M. HOOKER REPORTED:

- M. Hooker reviewed the Executive Director's report
- Discussion of the Moody's bond rating changing from Aa2 to Aa3.
- Reviewed the water sales report through June 30, 2012.
- Reviewed water availability in drought conditions and discussed communication to OCWA customers through the OCWA website and local newspaper on using water wisely.
- Syracuse Tri-Gen a co-generation facility that sells steam to RockTenn and currently one of OCWA's largest customers is considering closing its local plant in 2013. RockTenn requires steam and is evaluating building its own facility.
- Town of Camillus continues discussion with OCWA relative to consolidation and lease of the Town's consolidated water system. Summary memo dated July 17, 2012 was distributed for the Board's review. The Board authorized OCWA management to move forward with negotiations.

On motion by F. Picardi, duly seconded by E. Gilligan, with all Members approving, the Board authorized OCWA counsel to prepare a pro-forma lease with the Town of Camillus for operational maintenance of the Town's consolidated water system.

- Reviewed the proposals received regarding the Billing system/software upgrade. M. Hooker reviewed the memorandum dated July 13, 2012 from Barry Blanchard and recommended Advanced Utility Systems.

On motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by F. Picardi, with all Members approving, the Board designated Advanced Utility Systems as the preferred vendor and authorized staff to continue negotiations toward final agreement.

IV. A. GEISS REPORTED:

- Reviewed the Chief Engineer's Report
- Corrected the Otisco lake level indicated to reflect -10.00". Lake level continues to drop and is now at -13".
- Discussed the Otisco Lake Preservation Association and its efforts to control weeds.
- National Grid electric service connection for the new Northern Concourse service should be finalized in the next couple of weeks.
- Evaluation of vehicle radios is currently underway.
- G. Miller reported on OCWA capital projects.
- Pre-construction meeting was held on July 17, 2012 regarding the Southern Branch Pumping Stations.
- Tank rehabilitation project at West Hill is complete.

- The Linda Drive tank rehabilitation and painting continues with completion scheduled by the end of July.
- Reviewed the amendment of services with Mumford-Bjorkman Associates, Inc. to extend the contract for an additional year at \$173,215.00. Work will be authorized on a task by task basis.

On motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by J. Bianchini, with all Members approving, the Board approved the recommendation of extending the agreement for one year with Mumford-Bjorkman Associates, Inc.

V. LEGAL REPORT

- T. Pickard reviewed the Legal Report.
- Reported on the legal merits of reimbursement to the Finger Lakes Railway Corp. for appraisal fees and attorney's fees.

On motion by S. Miller, duly seconded by J. Bianchini, with all Members approving, the Board adjourned to Executive session at 2:30 p.m. to discuss negotiation and settlement of fees regarding the Finger Lakes Railway Corp decision.

On motion by E. Gilligan, duly seconded by F. Picardi, with all Members approving, the Board adjourned the Executive Session and returned to the regular Board meeting at 2:40 p.m.

VI. HUMAN RESOURCES /INSURANCE/RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT

- L. Khanzadian reviewed the Human Resource and Insurance/Risk Management report.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- BIDS

- Bid #13 - Vehicle Maintenance. Reviewed bids received from two bidders. Indicated that five bid packages had been distributed and two responses were received. Recommend lowest responsible bidder, Butch's Automotive.

On motion by F. Picardi, duly seconded by J. Bianchini, with four Board Members approving, One abstaining, R. Tomeny, the Board approved the lowest responsible bidder, Butch's Automotive.

- One Contractor Main Extension Contract(s) was presented for consideration.

On motion by J. Bianchini, duly seconded by S. Miller, with all Members approving, the Board authorized M. Hooker to execute the following Main Extension Contract(s):

4120045 Clover Construction Mgmt. Morgan Square Senior Apartments

- Two Right(s) of Way were presented for consideration.

On motion by F. Picardi, duly seconded by, S. Miller, with all Members approving, the Board authorized the following right(s) of way.

4120045 Affordable Senior Housing
 Opportunities of New York, Inc. Morgan Square Apartments, TCLA

4120038 Cedarvale Development Corp. Cedarvale Ridge, Sec. 3, Phase 1

There being no further business to come before Board, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

The next Authority meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. at the Water Treatment facility.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Khazadian, Recording Secretary