

Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Plainview Water District was held in the District office on Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Present: Marc B. Laykind, Chairman
Andrew N. Bader, Treasurer
Amanda R. Field, Secretary
Stephen Moriarty, Superintendent
Dina M Scott, Business Manager
James Neri, Engineer

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

Commissioner Laykind opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence was reviewed in the Board update.

The Board approved and signed payroll checks.

Minutes of the previous meeting(s) were read and approved unanimously.

Commissioner Laykind opened the meeting by congratulating the District on being awarded a monetary grant of \$2,626,000.00 through New York State's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA). The District is one of thirteen (13) recipients of this unprecedented award by New York State as it relates to drinking water and wastewater infrastructure projects. Engineer Neri commented that this grant is one of the first grants to be awarded to local municipalities located in Long Island, NY in many years. Commissioner Laykind thanked and congratulated all those involved including Supt. Moriarty. This was a huge undertaking and clearly paid off as a result of the Plainview Water District being one of the recipients. Commissioner Laykind also noted that 100% of the project funding received will go towards building a new nitrate treatment facility at Plant 4.

JAMES NERI'S REPORT – ENGINEER:

Engineer Neri provided the Board with a Project Status List which contains the status of all authorized projects to date and indicates a change in status of any ongoing projects.

Engineer Neri reported he will be meeting with Merrick Utility Assoc., Inc. on October 11, 2017 to discuss the identification of existing conduit at Plant 5 prior to commencing the work on the Plant's alkalinity adjustment which is scheduled for October 16, 2017. Completion is expected by October 30, 2017 at which time required samples will be collected. The Plant is expected to be back online in early November.

Commissioner Laykind reported that while in attendance of the Chamber of Commerce Fall Festival on October 1, 2017, there were many inquiries by residents

asking what their alkalinity levels were based on the District's theory that increasing alkalinity may possibly mitigate future pinhole leaks. Engineer Neri reported that the reduction in seasonal pumpage allows Plant 5 to be taken offline as the alkalinity adjustment construction work takes place. At the completion of the project, the District will then have availability of all but one well to produce water with higher alkalinity levels. Commissioner Bader inquired if the adjustment is going to mediate any preexisting damage. Engineer Neri reported the District is not rebuilding copper surfaces, however, is trying to build and maintain beneficial scale deposits that may help stem further deterioration. Engineer Neri reported there is a hypothesis that in the case of a very small penetration in the copper pipe, where active pinholes have not yet occurred, it is possible that calcium-based deposits may help occlude the opening and eventually scar over the pitted piping to possibly help minimize additional leaks in the future. Such deposits cannot be expected to restore pipe wall thickness and therefore is not a repair.

Commissioner Laykind also reported that while in attendance at the Chamber of Commerce Fall Festival, there were resident inquiries relating to the relationship between the levels of pH and alkalinity and if there is a relationship between the two. Engineer Neri informed the Board that there is a direct relationship between the levels of the two and that as the District continues its efforts to increase alkalinity through the addition of lime, one the result is an effect on increase in the pH. Engineer Neri stated that alkalinity is the presence of calcium while pH is the balance of ions and the District's emphasis of efforts is to balance both. Engineer Neri reported that by injecting lime before the air stripper tower we are balancing the carbon dioxide and thus increasing the pH and alkalinity.

Supt Moriarty reported that while the Suffolk County Water Authority also uses lime for pH adjustment, they also only have two air strippers in their entire system, one of which is offline. Commissioner Laykind stated the importance of the recognition and acknowledgment that the District's process of using air strippers since in the late 1980's under prior District administration had the consequence of lowering alkalinity and may have partially contributed to some of the problems being discussed. Engineer Neri reported that air stripping was one of the best available technology accepted by EPA for removal of certain regulated VOCs however, that did impact alkalinity.

Commissioner Laykind inquired as to an approximate timeframe of when the District should expect the awarded the New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) grant funding. Engineer Neri reported that the District was awarded 60% of eligible costs of the amount proposed for the removal of nitrate contamination from the product of Plant No. 4 and the District should expect a packet from the awarding agency. Engineer Neri reported that the District should consider how it will meet the matching requirements of the grant which represents approximately \$1.75 million. Supt. Moriarty informed the Board that both he and Dina Scott, Business Manager are working together to assess the District's options of funding the matching requirement.

Engineer Neri recommended that bid dates are scheduled for October 17, 2017 for the Country Pointe Phase II Installation of Water Mains and Appurtenances.

STEPHEN MORIARTY'S REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT:

Supt. Moriarty provided the Board with an update on the pinhole program and the progress we are making.

Supt. Moriarty reported to the Board that the Nassau County Department of Health approved the public notice pertaining to the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) violation for distribution to the District's residents. Distribution of said notice is required to be made by October 15, 2017 and therefore will be delivered to the USPS for mailing on October 14, 2017, as per the Nassau County Department of Health requirements.

Supt. Moriarty reported that he is awaiting from Bancker Construction Corp., pricing under the requirements contract for distribution system repair resulting from the water main break on Manetto Hill Road that took place the evening of September 28, 2017 and morning of September 29, 2017.

Supt. Moriarty reported that repairs from the water main break from 129 Cherry Drive West are complete and the District awaits the Town of Oyster Bay to conduct the final road restoration.

Supt. Moriarty requested the purchase of one hundred (100) 5/8" meters at \$252.00 each for a total cost of \$25,200.00 from Neptune Meters. This purchase is for District inventory as Neptune is the sole source provider of these meters which are standardized and used throughout the District.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the purchase of one hundred (100) 5/8" meters at a total cost of \$25,200.00.

DINA M SCOTT'S REPORT – BUSINESS MANAGER:

Vendor check nos. 45018 through 45026 dated September 26, 2017 were reviewed, approved and signed by the Board.

Vendor check nos. 45031 through 45063 dated October 3, 2017 were reviewed, approved and signed by the Board.

Country Pointe Phase II vendor check nos. 104 through 105 dated October 3, 2017 was reviewed, approved and signed by the Board.

Ms. Scott requested Board approval and authorization to transfer funds to cover the following dental claim costs:

- Dental claims dated September 5, 2017 and October 3, 2017.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the dental claims dated September 5, 2017 and October 3, 2017 and the Board authorized funds be transferred into the District's dental benefit account.

Ms. Scott reported that minutes of prior meetings are available for the Board's review and approval.

Ms. Scott provided the Board with a copy of the Dental Claims Detail History Report through September 30, 2017. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Ms. Scott presented a memorandum to the Board requesting the authorization to enter into a lease agreement with All County Business Solutions for the lease of a Konica Minolta digital printing machine for a 60 month term at a rate of \$324.08 per month including maintenance charges of service, supplies and parts. Pricing for the proposed machine is compliance with NYS contract number PT66607 and will result in a cost savings to the District.

Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves leasing the new office copy machine from All County Business Solutions for the lease of a Konica Minolta C458 Color Copy System digital printing machine at a monthly cost of \$324.08.

Ms. Scott provided the Board with a copy of the Treasurer's Report through August 31, 2017 prepared by contract accountants Cullen & Danowski, LLP. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Ms. Scott presented the Board with a copy of the year to date budget to actual expenditures and budget variance reports prepared by contract accountants Cullen & Danowski, LLP for the month ending August 2017. After discussion, the report was ordered filed. Based on their analysis, contract accountants Cullen & Danowski, LLP propose the following general fund budget transfers be made for the month ending August 31, 2017;

<u>Account Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Total</u>
To		
8341-K	Wellhead Treatment	115,000.00
8330-A	CT&A – Lime	10,000.00

8389-B	NC Dept of Health Plan Review Fees	2,875.00
8312-C	Office Stationary, Billing	<u>1,000.00</u>
		\$128,875.00

From		
8341-H	Well Maintenance	(115,000.00)
8330-C	CT&A – Chlorine	(10,000.00)
8321-B	Electricity	(2,875.00)
8312-V	Office Supplies	<u>(1,000.00)</u>
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Motion made by Commissioner Laykind, seconded by Commissioner Bader, the below stated resolution was adopted unanimously:

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Ms. Scott reported that the LIWC Drinking Water Symposium is scheduled for October 19, 2017 in Farmingdale, New York.

Ms. Scott reported that third quarter 2017 customer invoices are being printed and are due to be mailed by the current weeks end.

Ms. Scott reported that the Resolution relating to the 2017 Water Commissioner Election was put in last week's Board update packet for the Board's review. Board approval was issued at the special meeting which took place on October 5, 2017.

Ms. Scott updated the Board as it relates to the upcoming Water Commissioner election. Ms. Scott reported that the legal notice will appear in the October 11th edition of the Herald. The legal notice will also be posted to the District's website, the Town of Oyster Bay's website and signboard, the Plainview Old Bethpage Library, Haypath Park

Senior Center and outside the administration building. The petitions will be available on October 11, 2017 and must be returned no later than November 3, 2017.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

The District hired Merieliz Llitas who has replaced Cathy Schmitz as a temporary employee as the District continues its canvass for a permanent civil service employee.

At 8:05 pm a motion was made to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

At 8:45 pm Executive Session ended and the Board returned to Regular Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned with a call to the Chair at 8:50 pm.

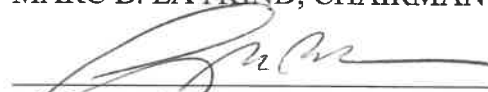
STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF NASSAU) ss.:
PLAINVIEW WATER DISTRICT)

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of the Plainview Water District, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York, do hereby certify that the above-mentioned and contained is a true copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Commissioners held in the District office on Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of the Plainview Water District on this 24th day of April, 2018.



MARC B. LAYKIND, CHAIRMAN



ANDREW N. BADER, TREASURER



AMANDA R. FIELD, SECRETARY