

Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Plainview Water District was held in the District office on Tuesday, July 6, 2021.

Present: Marc B. Laykind, Chairman  
Andrew Bader, Treasurer  
Amanda R. Field, Secretary  
Stephen Moriarty, Superintendent  
Dina Scott, Business Manager  
Michael Ingham, Attorney  
Sujata Pal, Engineer  
Greg Gordon, ZE Creative Concepts

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

Correspondence was reviewed in the Board update.

The Board approved and signed payroll checks.

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

#### **MICHAEL INGHAM'S REPORT – ATTORNEY:**

Attorney Ingham reported on a bill proposed by Nassau County Legislator Lafazan which would require all Nassau County water providers to file a cybersecurity report annually with the Nassau County Legislature and the Nassau County Police Department. Attorney Ingham reported that he has not yet received a response from the letter he submitted on behalf of the LIWC challenging the jurisdiction of the Nassau County Legislature to enact any ordinance impacting water providers, as this area of the law has been completely preempted by the New York State Legislature. Supt. Moriarty stated the District has already taken action over the past three years to upgrade and make enhancements to our cybersecurity systems in order to protect against any potential threats.

Attorney Ingham reported on the letter received by Supt. Moriarty and the Board of Commissioners from Town of Oyster Bay Supervisor Joseph Saladino. Said letter contained a request that the District consider repaving the roadway on Atwood Drive due to the recent installation of drainage pipe. Discussion took place and Attorney Ingham stated that the District cannot make its taxpayers responsible to fund the cost of road repaving. This is the responsibility of the Town of Oyster Bay and the District assuming such task would set an unsustainable precedent going forward in future projects. Commissioner Laykind requested Supt. Moriarty prepare a draft response to Supervisor Saladino stating the District's position.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT – ENGINEER:**

Engineer Pal 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. Said items were reviewed and discussed with the Board in detail.

Engineer Pal reported that the ultraviolet/titanium dioxide report prepared for the Center for Clean Water Technology Pilot as part of the 1,4 Dioxane Removal grant is now complete. She is corresponding with the Center for Clean Water Technology to confirm the parties required to receive the report. A copy of said report will be forwarded to Supt. Moriarty for the District's records.

Engineer Pal reported on responses to inquiries previously addressed by Ms. Scott related to the potential use of a project labor agreement for the Plant No. 4 nitrate and perchlorate removal and AOP treatment projects. Engineer Pal reported that due to the significant scope of these two projects combined, a project labor agreement would result in a potential cost savings and prove beneficial to the District's taxpayers. Engineer Pal reported that her research has shown that the average savings through utilization of a project labor agreement is approximately 2.5% to 3.5% of the total project cost. Ms. Scott reported that her calculations estimate this to be a savings of approximately \$337,500 to the District. Attorney Ingham reported that a feasibility study to analyze the details of the cost savings is required to be conducted as per the New York State Department of Health when a project labor agreement is in place. Details were discussed and the Board agreed to consider further. Commissioner Laykind requested Engineer Pal submit a proposal for H2M architects + engineers to conduct the required feasibility study.

**GREG GORDON'S REPORT – PUBLIC INFORMATION FIRM:**

Greg Gordon presented a press release reminding customers that water pumpage peaks along with summer temperatures to be published in upcoming weeks for the Board's review and approval. The Board provided comments and approved for submission upon the revisions being made.

Greg Gordon presented a revised draft of the upcoming e-mail blast for the Board's review and approval. The Board provided comments and approved for sending upon the revisions being made.

Greg Gordon reported that the second quarterly billing insert was submitted to the printer.

**STEPHEN MORIARTY'S REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT:**

Supt. Moriarty presented a draft of the completed water feasibility study which analyzes potential supply of NYS water through NYC to the water providers in Nassau County. In order to assist with the feasibility study, the New York State Department of Health is asking the water providers to complete this interactive survey regarding the receipt of NYC water. Even though it would be extremely difficult and likely a practical

impossibility for water to reach those districts lying in eastern Nassau, the LIWC Executive Board voted to encourage cooperation with the survey.

Supt. Moriarty presented a draft of the letter to residents of the immediate surrounding area of the construction drainage work performed at District Plant No. 3. This letter provides an update that the construction work is complete and the asphalt that was placed over the repaired area of the road is temporary. The letter also states that the contractor will return in four to six weeks to pave the road once the trench properly settles.

**DINA M SCOTT'S REPORT – BUSINESS MANAGER:**

Vendor check nos. 53237 through 53256 dated July 1, 2021 in the amount of \$42,700.02 were previously reviewed, approved and signed by the Board.

Capital project vendor check no. 10081 dated July 1, 2021 in the amount of \$5,487.93 was previously 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 June 29, 2021 in the amount of \$871.60

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 June 29, 2021 in the amount of \$871.60 and the Board authorized funds to be transferred into the District's dental benefit account.

Ms. Scott presented a report of customer billing adjustments that were made in accordance with District Policy. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Ms. Scott reported that the financial statement presentation for the year ending December 31, 2020 is scheduled for Friday, July 30, 2021 at 8:30am with auditors Cullen & Danowski.

Ms. Scott presented the safety committee meeting minutes for June 21, 2021.

Ms. Scott presented the Board with a listing of residential accounts who exceeded 150,000 gallons of water consumed in both the second and third 2020 quarterly billing cycles. This has been provided in consideration of the number of gallons to be included in the proposed 2022 conservation rate tier. Discussion took place and the Board agreed to further review and consider.

Ms. Scott presented a Schedule of 2021 Budget Adjustments as processed in accordance with the District's Budget Transfer Policy. In addition, Ms. Scott presented Detail of Budget Adjustments to accompany and support each budget adjustment made as indicated in the Schedule of Budget Adjustments. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Ms. Scott requested the Board's consideration of a transfer in the amount of \$70.00 from the operating cash account to the dental cash account. The purpose of this request is to bring the dental account's book balance to \$100.00 in order to ensure adequate coverage. After discussion, the Board approved Ms. Scott's request.

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approves the transfer in the amount of \$70.00 from the operating cash account to the dental cash account.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned with a call to the Chair at 7:45 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, July 6, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of the Plainview Water District on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2021.

  
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MARC B. LAYKIND, CHAIRMAN

  
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ANDREW N. BADER, TREASURER

  
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AMANDA R. FIELD, SECRETARY