

**KINGSTON BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 11, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was called to order at 5:08 p.m. on April 11, 2018 in the Department's offices at Jansen Avenue. Present were President Dennis Crosswell, Mayor Steven Noble, Commissioners Robert Niedzielski, Joanne Seche, and Harold Goldman. Also in attendance were Assistant Secretary Allan Alberts, Attorney William Cloonan, and Council Liaison Jeffrey Ventura Morell. Superintendent Judith Hansen participated on speakerphone.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Seche and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bills in the amount of \$37,576.49 dated 3/21/18; \$32,039.71 dated 3/28/18; \$31,004.45 dated 4/4/18; and \$141,720.45 dated 4/11/18 were ordered paid as audited on a motion by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Goldman. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the Cooper Lake Improvements Project. It was reported that there will be a meeting with Schnabel on April 12<sup>th</sup> to review the progress and discuss the project schedule. More detailed information on the project will be provided at the May Board Meeting. KWD has received the proceeds from the bond for the engineering work.

The Board discussed the Interstate 587/Albany Avenue Roundabout. It was reported that the DOT preliminary plans are being reviewed by Brinnier & Larios. KWD has received the proceeds from the bond for the project and will provide DOT with the funds requested for the work by their June deadline. Attorney Cloonan will review the DOT Agreements so that they can be executed at the June Board Meeting.

The Board discussed the SCADA System Project. It was reported that KWD has received NYS DOH approval for the project.

The Board discussed the Binnewater UPS Installation Project. It was reported that the start-up and training of the UPS has been completed. The fire pump still remains to be rewired to eliminate the code violation.

The Board discussed the Transmission Main Rehab Project. It was reported that the initial project estimate has been reduced making it plausible to complete the project with the approved funding. The actual bid amounts will provide the final answer to this question.

The Board was informed that the engineering evaluation of the Lagoon Sludge Removal program will be completed soon.

The Board was informed that Johnson Controls and their sub-contractor, Vanguard Utility Services, completed the removal of randomly selected small meters and have sent them to a certified laboratory for testing. The results are expected in approximately three weeks.

It was reported that pending claims regarding incidents on East Strand and West O'Reilly Street have been settled.

The March Superintendent's Report was read and ordered filed on a motion by Commissioner Seche and seconded by Commissioner Goldman. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Noble informed the Board that he had been in communication with representatives of the DEC and the Woodstock Land Conservancy regarding the prospect of selling KWD's Reservoir 1 and Reservoir 2.

A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Seche and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 5:32 pm. A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Goldman at 5:56 pm. Motions carried by unanimous vote.

A motion made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Goldman reads as follows: Resolved that the Board of Water Commissioners elects to "opt out" of the Paid Family Leave program pursuant to Workers Compensation Law section 212 et. seq and 12 NYCRR 355 et. seq and the Superintendent is directed to notify employees and management and give appropriate notice to the insurance company and NYS Workers Compensation Board. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Seche resolved to approve Superintendent Hansen's submission of comp time request for 2017. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Goldman and seconded by Commissioner Seche at 5:57 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

*Allan P. Alberts*  
Assistant Secretary

