

**KINGSTON BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 14, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was called to order at 5:05 PM on July 14, 2021 in the Department's offices at Jansen Avenue. Present were President Dennis Crosswell, Mayor Steven Noble, Commissioners Robert Niedzielski and James Noble. Also in attendance were Superintendent Judith Hansen, Assistant Secretary Matthew Dysard, Attorney William Cloonan and Consulting Engineer James Caggiano.

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

Bills in the amount of \$105,172.18 dated June 14, 2021; \$34,537.86 dated June 23, 2021; \$47,989.04 dated June 30, 2021; \$33,927.35 dated July 7, 2021; and \$238,111.97 dated July 14, 2021; were ordered paid as audited on a motion by Commissioner Noble and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the Cooper Lake Improvements Project. Superintendent Hansen reported that the lake is up to 8.1ft, was down 11ft at one point. It was reported that weekly meetings are taking place with engineers and construction contractor, to discuss project updates. Contractor has begun mobilization of equipment, work expected to begin August 1<sup>st</sup>. It was reported that Thalle Construction is struggling to meet MWBE goals for DWSRF funding. Contract to purchase water from NYC DEP is ready for President Crosswell's signature.

The Board discussed the Transmission Main Rehab. Superintendent Hansen reported that Schultz is having trouble getting piping and valves necessary to do work. EFC is going to do calculation for grant and long term bond based off of the signed and executed change orders. Project funds will be able to be moved long-term without construction being fully completed.

The Board discussed the WIIA 2020 project. Superintendent Hansen reported that SCADA work included in project has begun. Preparing to go to bid on valve replacement.

The Board discussed Foxhall Pump Station. Superintendent Hansen reported pump station is fully operational. It was reported that KWD's insurance is still reviewing claim, initial payment of \$24k has been received. Cost of damage is currently at \$96k, with invoice from Arace still outstanding.

The Quarry St. Project was discussed. It was reported that school district is still unresponsive regarding a signed agreement to undertake replacement of their service. Superintendent Hansen and Attorney Cloonan to attempt to make contact again before moving forward without School District's participation.

The Board discussed Tech City. It was reported that the outstanding bill is \$90k. Current usage continues to be paid for by Farm Bridge.

The Board discussed Water Treatment Chemical bids. Bids were received and publically opened and read aloud on Monday, July 12, 2020 at 1PM. These bids have been reviewed and upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Water Commissioners resolves to award them on a motion made by Commissioner Noble and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski as follows:

Vendor	Chemical	Cost
JCI Jones Chemical	Liquid Chlorine	\$1.50/pound
Slack Chemical	Sodium Hypochlorite	\$1.297/gallon
Slack Chemical	Hydrated Lime	\$0.298/pound

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Superintendent Hansen informed the Board that one application has been received for a COVID-19 deferral agreement.

The June 2021 Superintendent's Report was read and ordered filed on a motion by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Noble. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues was made by Commissioner Noble and seconded by Mayor Noble at 5:58 PM. A motion to move out of Executive Session was made by Commissioner Noble and seconded by Mayor Noble at 6:29 PM. Motions carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Noble and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski to promote Patrick VanWagenen from the position of Water Maintenance Assistance to Water Service Assistant at a salary of \$49,706.75 and to promote Anthony Peterson from the position of Laborer to Water Maintenance Assistant at a salary of \$47,554.60 effective July 17, 2021. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Noble at 6:31 PM. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

*Matthew Dysard*  
Assistant Secretary