

Meeting of the Board of Directors

October 12, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority was held on October 12, 2016 at the Authority headquarters in Charlestown. Chairman Beaton presided. Present from the Board were Ms. Wolowicz and Messrs. Blackmon, Carroll, Cotter, Flanagan, Foti, Pappastergion, Peña, Vitale and Walsh. Among those present from the Authority staff were Frederick Laskey, Executive Director, Steven Remsberg, General Counsel, Michael Hornbrook, Chief Operating Officer, Thomas Durkin, Director of Finance, Michele Gillen, Director of Administration, and Bonnie Hale, Assistant Secretary. The meeting was called to order at 1:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors' meeting of September 14, 2016, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chairman Beaton reported on an event held in Sterling for the announcement of an electric grid storage facility to provide the Town with emergency back-up power. This initiative is related to Governor Baker's recent signing of an Executive Order on Climate Change. A statewide study of vulnerability to climate change is being undertaken, and MWRA will be included in that study.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Laskey reported on various matters, including the completion of a pipeline project on Webster Avenue in Somerville and an event held in Needham for the opening of a public access trail along the Sudbury Aqueduct. There was discussion following up on the recent special Board meeting on Metropolitan Tunnel Redundancy, including an MWRA Advisory Board meeting on the subject scheduled for December 8, and suggestions on other elected officials and organizations that should be made aware of the redundancy alternatives under consideration.

APPROVALS

Delegation of Authority to Execute a Contract for the Purchase and Supply of Electric Power for MWRA's Profile Accounts

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute Contract OP-337 for the purchase and supply of electric power for MWRA's Profile accounts, with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for a period and pricing structure selected, as determined by staff to be in MWRA's best interest, and for a contract term not to exceed 38-months. This delegation of authority is necessary because MWRA will be required to notify the selected bidder within a few hours of bid submittal to lock-in the bid prices in a constantly changing market.

Emergency Water Supply Agreement with the Town of Burlington

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute a six-month Emergency Water Supply Agreement with the Town of Burlington, substantially in the form presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

PCR Amendment – October 2016

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve an amendment to the Position Control Register, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

Appointment of Area Manager, Deer Island Treatment Plant

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Mr. William J. Carter to the position of Area Manager (Unit 6, Grade12), at an annual salary of \$113,341 to be effective on the date designated by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Program Manager, Process Monitoring, Deer Island Treatment Plant

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Ms. Tracy Survilas to the position of Program Manager, Process Monitoring (Unit 9, Grade 29), at an annual salary of \$106,994.68 to be effective on the date designated by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Deputy Contracts Manager, Procurement

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Ms. Yvonne vanOssenbruggen-Hart to the position of Deputy Contracts Manager, Administration Division (Unit 6, Grade 13) at an annual salary of \$118,936.84.

CONTRACT AWARDS

Automated Vehicle Locator Tracking System: Networkfleet, Inc. Contract A606

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to select Networkfleet, Inc., to provide an Automated Vehicle Locator Tracking

System, conditioned upon agreement on acceptable final contract terms, and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute Contract A606 with Networkfleet, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$427,490 for a contract term of three years from the Notice to Proceed and with an option to renew for two additional one year periods, each subject to further Board approval.

Supply and Delivery of Sodium Hypochlorite to the Deer Island Treatment Plant: Borden & Remington Corp., Bid WRA-4269

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the award of Purchase Order Contract WRA-4269 for the supply and delivery of sodium hypochlorite to the Deer Island Treatment Plant to the lowest responsive bidder, Borden & Remington Corporation, and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute and deliver said purchase order contract in an amount not to exceed \$1,208,337.39 for a period of one year, from November 17, 2016 through November 16, 2017.

CONTRACT AMENDMENTS/CHANGE ORDERS

Dental Insurance: Delta Dental of Massachusetts , Contract A591, Amendment 3

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to approve Amendment 3 to exercise the third option to renew and increase the amount of Contract A591 with Delta Dental of Massachusetts (Dental Insurance) by \$391,000, and to extend the term by twelve months from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, for a total contract term of 48 months.

Watertown Section Rehabilitation, Waltham and Watertown: J. D'Amico, Inc., Contract 7222, Change Order 6

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to approve Change Order 6 to increase the amount of Contract 7222 with J. D'Amico, Inc., Watertown Section Rehabilitation, Waltham and Watertown, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, with no increase in contract term.

Quabbin Power & Security Improvement: Ewing Electrical Co., Inc. Contract 7338, Change Order 2

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to approve Change Order 2 to increase the amount of Contract 7338 with Ewing Electrical Company, Inc., Quabbin Power and Security Improvements, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, with no increase in contract term; and to authorize the Executive Director to approve additional change orders as may be needed to Contract 7338 in amounts not to exceed the aggregate of \$250,000, in accordance with the Management Policies and Procedures of the Board of Directors.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved to enter executive session to discuss real estate and litigation.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was, upon a roll call vote in which the members were recorded as follows:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Blackmon		
Carroll		
Cotter		
Flanagan		
Foti		
Pappastergion		
Peña		
Vitale		
Walsh		
Wolowicz		
Beaton		

Voted to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to litigation and to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, in that such discussion in open session may have a detrimental effect on the litigating and negotiating positions of the Authority.

It was stated that the meeting would return to open session solely for the consideration of adjournment.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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The meeting returned to open session at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned.

Approved: November 16, 2016

Attest:



Rose Marie Convery, Assistant Secretary