



Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Meeting Minutes - Final Board of Water Commissioners

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Wednesday, May 17, 2017

2:00 PM

5th Floor Board Room, Water Board Building

Regular Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Einheuser called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Commissioner Linda Forte, Commissioner John Henry Davis, Commissioner Michael Einheuser, Commissioner Lane Coleman, Commissioner Pamela Rodgers, Commissioner Jane Garcia and Commissioner Mary Blackmon

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Einheuser requested approval of the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner Jane Garcia that this Agenda be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Einheuser requested approval of the minutes of April 5, 2017 workshop and the April 19, 2017 regular meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Mary Blackmon that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per speaker)

Jerrigan Jackson Jr, 39550 Chantilly Dr, came before the Board regarding the lack of a water shut off request that has escalated the water bill.

Fredia Butler, community activist, came before the Board on behalf of Ms. Lucille Powe regarding her water and drainage fee charge.

Dorothea Hayward, 19230 Margareta, came before the Board to dispute being charged for the previous owner's delinquent water bill. She also came because she is getting bills and was unaware that a meter fee was applied to her bill.

Travis Foster, 18272 Santa Rosa Dr, came before the Board to petition the department to provide advance notice of water termination; he said his water was shut off without notice. He also asked for a waiver on the reconnection fee.

6. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS

There were none.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - TABLED - MOU between BOWC and City Council regarding BOWC Community Meetings

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner Linda Forte that the MOU between the BOWC and the City Council regarding BOWC Community Meetings be removed from the table. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[17-0094](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department **adopt a resolution approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Detroit Board of Water Commissioners and the City Council of the City of Detroit regarding the BOWC Evening Community Meetings**, and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Pospiech

Attachments: [MOU re Community Meetings w CC and BOWC edits](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner Pamela Rodgers that this Resolution, BOWC, be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

8. NEW BUSINESS

[17-0086](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **secure the Purchase of “MRO (Material, Repair, and Operations) and Janitorial Supplies” with MSC Industrial Supply at a cost of \$443,283.42 for a duration of two (2) years**, and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Moblely

A motion was made by Commissioner Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner John Henry Davis that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[17-0087](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **secure the purchase of eight (8) Leak Trucks to Tri-County International Trucks at a total cost of \$1,740,120.00** and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Presnell

A motion was made by Commissioner Jane Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Mary Blackmon that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[17-0092](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners **approves the proposed amended FY 2017-18 \$119,761,070.00 water system budget and \$274,246,325.00 sewage disposal system budget for the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department**, and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Hudson

A motion was made by Commissioner Linda Forte, seconded by Commissioner Mary Blackmon that this Department Budget be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

9. **DIRECTOR'S METRICS**

[17-0093](#)

Director's Metrics

Sponsors: Brown

Attachments: [Board Report - Metrics - 05172017](#)

This Communication or Report was received and filed.

10. **COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Garcia asked if the department were any closer to the standup of the the southwest service center. Director Brown replied the department will have a timeline on completion soon.

11. **COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR**

Chairman Einheuser requested discussion of the BOWC's technical advisor at its next regular meeting.

12. **OTHER MATTERS**

There were none.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Einheuser requested a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Linda Forte that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

