



Great Lakes Water Authority

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Board of Directors

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

2:00 PM

Zoom Telephonic Meeting
Public Call-In Number:
888 788 0099 US Toll Free
877 853 5247 US Toll Free
Meeting ID: 899 6223 7873

**Zoom Telephonic Meeting
and
Public Hearings RE:
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Project Plans for:
96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation,
Downriver Transmission Main Loop, and
Ypsilanti Pumping Station Improvements**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Zech called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

2. Quorum Call

Present: 6 - Chairperson John J. Zech, Vice-Chairperson Jaye Quadrozzi, Secretary Freman Hendrix, Director Brian Baker, Director Gary Brown, and Director Beverly Walker-Griffea

Board Members' Zoom Meeting Location:

Chairperson Zech (Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan)

Vice-Chairperson Quadrozzi (Wolcott, Wayne County, New York)

Secretary Hendrix (Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan)

Director Baker (Clinton Township, Macomb County, Michigan)

Director Brown (Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan)

Director Walker-Griffea (Newport News, Virginia)

3. Consent Matters

A. Approval of Minutes (Item for Consent)

i. [2021-257](#) **May 26, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.Draft**

Sponsors: Rechanda Willis

Attachments: [May 26, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes](#)

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

B. Communications (Item for Consent)

i. [2021-255](#) **Receipt of Correspondence**

Attachments: [C. Darrah.June 2, 2021 DWSD PUBLIC COMMENT and Inquiry](#)
[May 2021 Member Outreach Requests Packet](#)
[Memorandum - 20210614 - Northeast Transformer Failure \(revised\)](#)

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Received and Filed
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

C. New Business (Items for Consent)

i. [2021-213](#) **Proposed Change Order No. 1**
Contract No. 1802745
Water Transmission Main, Valve and Other Priority Repairs
CIP# 170500 / BCE Score: N/A

Sponsors: Cheryl Porter and Todd King

Indexes: Water Operations

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- ii. [2021-214](#) **Contract No. 2003730**
Water Transmission Main, Valve and Other Priority Repairs
CIP# 170504 / O&M / BCE Score: N/A
- Sponsors:** Cheryl Porter and Todd King
- Indexes:** Water Operations
- Attachments:** [2003730 Procurement Board Report](#)
[2003730 Cost Summary](#)
[2003730 & CON-181 Rates Comparison](#)
[2003730 CIP Attachment](#)
- Motion By:** Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.
- iii. [2021-215](#) **Contract No. 2002193**
Southwest Water Treatment Plant Chlorine Scrubber and Raw
Water Screen Replacement
CIP# 113006 / BCE Score: 68.2
- Sponsors:** Cheryl Porter and Grant Gartrell
- Indexes:** Water Operations
- Attachments:** [2002193 Procurement Report](#)
[2002193 Cost Tabulation - Notice of Respondents](#)
- Motion By:** Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.
- iv. [2021-216](#) **Contract No. 2004456**
14 Mile Road Transmission Loop - Phase II
CIP# 122013 / BCE Score: 58.4
- Sponsors:** Cheryl Porter and Grant Gartrell
- Indexes:** Water Operations
- Attachments:** [2004456 Procurement Report](#)
[2004456 Cost Tabulation](#)
[2004456 CIP Attachment](#)
- Motion By:** Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- v. [2021-217](#) **Memorandum of Understanding Between Great Lakes Water Authority and Road Commission for Oakland County
96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation
CIP# 122004 / BCE Score: 83.6**

Sponsors: Cheryl Porter

Indexes: Water Operations

Attachments: [2021-4 GLWA MOU-RCOC](#)

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- vi. [2021-218](#) **Proposed Change Order No. 4
GLWA-CON-234
Conner Creek CSO Basin Emergency Rehabilitation
CIP# 260603**

Sponsors: Navid Mehram

Indexes: Wastewater Operations

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- vii. [2021-209](#) **Purchase of 700, 710, 716 Conner St, Detroit, MI**

Sponsors: Randal Brown

Indexes: General Counsel

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- viii. [2021-210](#) **Amendment No. 2 to Legal Services Contract LS-066 (Allen Brothers, PLLC)**

Sponsors: Randal Brown

Indexes: General Counsel

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ix. [2021-211](#) **Purchase of approximately 4.28 acres of vacant land next to Springwells Water Treatment Plant from Conrail**

Sponsors: Randal Brown

Indexes: General Counsel

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Support By: Gary Brown

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

4. Approval of Agenda

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion to approve the Agenda.

Motion By: Brian Baker

Support By: Beverly Walker-Griffea

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5. Approval of Consent Matters (Items 3Ai., 3Bi, and 3C. i. - ix.)

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion to approve the Consent Matters, Items 3Ai., 3Bi., and 3C. i. - ix.

A motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Quadrozzi, seconded by Director Brown, to approve the Consent Matters. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Public Hearings

A. [2021-247](#) Public Hearing Regarding Resolution to Adopt the 96-inch Water Transmission Main (WTM) Relocation Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7D3 96 Inch - Public Hearing Notice](#)
[2021-06-23_96-inch-WTM-Relocation_FY2022_DWRF Project Plan Presentation](#)
[June 23, 2021 96-inch WTM_Virtual-Public-Hearing-Transcript](#)

No Action Taken

Chairperson Zech opened the Public Hearing regarding the 96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Plan at 2:08 p.m., with highlights of the proposed financing by Kim Garland, GLWA Reporting and Compliance Manager, followed with a Presentation of the project by Jason Matteo of Jacobs.

Chairperson Zech asked if any members of the public would like to make comments regarding the 96-Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Plan to please raise your hand by pressing *9 on your telephone keypad.

There being no public comments, Chairperson Zech closed the Public Hearing at 2:27 p.m.

B. [2021-248](#) Public Hearing Regarding Resolution Adopt the Downriver Transmission Main Loop Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7D4 Downriver Transmission - Public Hearing Notice](#)
[Downriver TransmissionMain Public Hearing Presentation Revised 06142021](#)
[June 23, 2021 Downriver Trans Main - Public Hearing Transcript](#)

No Action Taken

Chairperson Zech opened the Public Hearing regarding the Downriver Transmission Main Loop Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Plan at 2:28 p.m., with highlights of the proposed financing by Kim Garland, GLWA Reporting and Compliance Manager, followed with a Presentation of the project by Rich Hobgood of OHM Advisors.

Chairperson Zech asked if any members of the public would like to make comments regarding the Downriver Transmission Main Loop Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Plan to please raise your hand by pressing *9 on your telephone keypad.

There being no public comments, Chairperson Zech closed the Public Hearing at 2:51 p.m.

C. [2021-249](#) Public Hearing Regarding Resolution Adopt the Ypsilanti Pumping Station Improvements Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7D Public Hearing](#)
[Ypsilanti Pumping Station-Project Plan Presentation](#)
[June 23, 2021 Ypsilanti Pumping Station PUBLIC HEARING Transcript](#)

No Action Taken

Chairperson Zech opened the Public Hearing regarding the Ypsilanti Pumping Station Improvements Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Plan at 2:52 p.m., with highlights of the proposed financing by Kim Garland, GLWA Reporting and Compliance Manager, followed with a Presentation of the project by Jim O'Neill of Brown and Caldwell.

Chairperson Zech asked if any members of the public would like to make comments regarding the Ypsilanti Pumping Station Improvements Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Plan to please raise your hand by pressing *9 on your telephone keypad.

There being no public comments, Chairperson Zech closed the Public Hearing at 3:01 p.m.

7. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

8. Communications

A. [2021-256](#) Receipt of Correspondence

No Action Taken

9. Old Business

None

10. New Business (Items for Discussion may Continue After Closed Sessions)

A. [2021-240](#) Resolution to Adopt the 96-inch Water Transmission Main (WTM) Relocation Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7B3 Resolution - Resolution to Adopt 96-inch Water Transmission Main Project Plan](#)
[7B4 96-inch Water Transmission Main Project Plan Summary Handout](#)

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Support By: Brian Baker

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

B. [2021-241](#) Resolution Adopt the Downriver Transmission Main Loop Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7C3 Resolution - Resolution to Adopt Downriver Transmission Main Project Plan](#)
[7C4 Downriver Transmission Main Project Plan Summary Handout Revised 06.14.2021](#)

Motion By: Gary Brown

Support By: Beverly Walker-Griffea

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

C. [2021-242](#) Resolution Adopt the Ypsilanti Pumping Station Improvements Project FY 2022 Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7D3 Resolution - Resolution to Adopt Ypsilanti Pumping Station Project Plan](#)
[7D4 Ypsilanti Pumping Station Project Plan Summary Handout](#)

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Support By: Gary Brown

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

D. [2021-243](#) **Resolution Regarding Approval of Series Ordinance Authorizing Issuance and Sale of Water Supply System Revenue Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$128,000,000 (Ordinance 2021-03)**

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7E2 Series Ordinance \(2021 SRF 2-3 4th Quarter DWRf\)](#)
[7E3 Resolution Approving 2021 SRF-2-3 Ordinance \(DWRf\)](#)

Motion By: Beverly Walker-Griffea
Support By: Brian Baker
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

E. [2021-244](#) **Resolution Regarding Approval of Series Ordinance Authorizing Issuance and Sale of Sewage Disposal System Revenue Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$30,000,000 (Ordinance 2021-04)**

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7F2 Series Ordinance \(2021-SRF-2 GLWA Sewer\)](#)
[7F3 Resolution Approving 2021-2 SRF Series Ordinance \(Sewer\)](#)

Motion By: Gary Brown
Support By: Freman Hendrix
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

F. [2021-246](#) **Proposed Contract Amendment with Wayne Metro for WRAP Program Administration**

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [2021-246 Attachment 1](#)
[2021-246 Attachment 2](#)
[7G1 Presentation WRAP Update GLWA Audit Committee 06212021 V2](#)

Note: Director Walker-Griffea excused herself from the meeting at 3:59 p.m.

Motion By: Gary Brown
Support By: Freman Hendrix
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

G. [2021-245](#) Proposed FY 2021 Fourth Quarter Budget Amendments

Sponsors: Nicolette Bateson

Indexes: Finance

Attachments: [7A FY 2021 Fourth Quarter Budget Amendment Report](#)
[7A1 Analysis of FY 2021 Personnel Costs](#)

Motion By: Brian Baker
Support By: Jaye Quadrozzi
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

H. [2021-222](#) Amendment to DTE Letter Agreement Regarding Third Electrical Feed

Sponsors: Navid Mehram

Indexes: Wastewater Operations

Motion By: Brian Baker
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

I. [2021-229](#) Resolution in Support of the Great Lakes Water Authority's Request for an Appropriation to Assist the Utility's Efforts to Rehabilitate and Optimize the Functions of the Detroit River Interceptor

Sponsors: William Wolfson

Indexes: Administration & Compliance; Board of Directors; Office of the Executive

Attachments: [Resolution 2021-229](#)

Motion By: Freman Hendrix
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

J. [2021-262](#) Update on Potential Reconstitution of Board of Directors and Possible Resumption of Physical Meetings under the Michigan Open Meetings Act

Sponsors: William Wolfson

Indexes: Administration & Compliance

Motion By: Freman Hendrix
Support By: Brian Baker
Action: Received and Filed
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

K. [2021-219](#) Continued Delegation of Additional Authority to CEO During COVID-19 Emergency

Sponsors: William Wolfson

Indexes: Office of the Executive

Motion By: Brian Baker

Support By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

The Board will also discuss such other matters.

William M. Wolfson, Chief Administrative and Compliance Officer, stated that in light of one Board Member having to attend to another matter, we request that you defer the Closed Session regarding Personnel Evaluation (Item 14B. Resolution 2021-221) to the Board's meeting in July (July 28, 2021), and with that, we do not anticipate that the Board will take action following the one Closed Session.

That being said, Closed Session Item 14B., Resolution 2021-221, Closed Session Request - Personnel Evaluation, will be deferred to the July 28, 2021 Board Meeting, and New Business will not continue following Closed Session.

Director Brown made an inquiry regarding staffing levels and preparation for the expected rain forecast over the next five days, to which Navid Mehram, Chief Operating Officer - Wastewater Operations, responded.

Director Baker requested that the Board is apprised of the cause of the Northeast transformer failure and long term investment plan to potentially correct any deficiencies.

11. Reports

None

12. Remarks

A. Chairperson's Remarks

Chairperson Zech stated appreciation for all of the staff and consultants efforts in bringing forth the information for discussion and Board action on today's Agenda.

B. Board Members' Remarks

There were no Board Members' remarks.

13. CEO's Report

A. [2021-250](#) CEO Report - June, 2021

Sponsors: Sue F. McCormick

Indexes: Office of the Executive

Attachments: [CEO Report - June 23, 2021 and General Counsel Report](#)

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Support By: Gary Brown

Action: Received and Filed

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

14. Closed Session**A. [2021-261](#) Closed Session Request- Attorney Client Communication**

Motion By: Brian Baker

Support By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Action: Approved

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairperson Zech, Vice-Chairperson Quadrozzi, Secretary Hendrix, Director Baker, and Director Brown

Excused: 1 - Director Walker-Griffea

Entered Closed Session at 4:59 p.m.

Note: Director Walker-Griffea rejoined the meeting during Closed Session at 5:11 p.m.

Returned from Closed Session at 5:17 p.m.

The only matter discussed was attorney-client communication.

B. [2021-221](#) Closed Session Request - Personnel Evaluation

Sponsors: Randal Brown and William Wolfson

Indexes: Board of Directors; Office of the Executive; Administration & Compliance; General Counsel

Attachments: [Closed Session Request - Personnel Evaluation](#)

Note: This item has been postponed to the July 28, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.

15. Other Matters

There were no other matters.

16. Adjournment

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion to Adjourn.

Motion By: Gary Brown

Support By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.