



Great Lakes Water Authority

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Board of Directors Workshop Meeting

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

1:00 PM

Zoom Telephonic Meeting

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1. Call to Order

Chairperson Zech called the meeting to order at 1:05 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-Griffiea

Board Members' Zoom Meeting Location:

Chairperson Zech (Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan)

Vice-Chairperson Quadrozzi (Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan)

Secretary Hendrix (Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan)

Director Baker (Clinton Township, Macomb County, Michigan)

Director Brown (Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan)

Director Walker-Griffiea (Newport News, Virginia)

Note: Director Hendrix joined the meeting at 1:11 p.m. under Item 3.
Approval of Agenda.

Vice-Chairperson Quadrozzi made a Motion, Supported by Director Baker, to allow the public and media video access to today's Board of Directors Meeting and Board of Directors meetings moving forward.
The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Agenda

Director Baker made a Motion, Supported by Director Hendrix, to amend the agenda to add under Item 7. Old Business, a discussion and update regarding returning management staff to the building, and holding Board of Directors meetings in-person as soon as the Health Department will allow.
The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion to approve the Agenda as Amended.

Motion By: Beverly Walker-Griffea
Support By: Gary Brown
Action: Approved as Amended
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

A. [2021-281](#) June 23, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.Draft

Sponsors: Rechanda Willis

Attachments: [June 23, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes](#)

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion to approve the June 23, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.

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

5. Public Comment

M. L. Elrick, addressed the Board regarding flooding on the eastside and other parts of the City (Detroit), which written comments are attached under Item 6A. Communications.

6. Communications

A. [2021-280](#) Receipt of Correspondence

Attachments: [M.L. Elrick.REQUEST TO SPEAK_Detroit's Eastside needs action](#)

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

7. Old Business

**[2021-283](#) Discussion Regarding Management Staff Returning to the Office
and In-Person Board Meetings**

Indexes: Board of Directors

Director Baker made a Motion, Supported by Director Hendrix, to have the Leadership Team to return the office immediately.

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion and Roll Call Vote regarding the Leadership Team returning to the office immediately.

Motion By: Brian Baker
Support By: Freman Hendrix
Action: Approved
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Vice-Chairperson Quadrozzi, Secretary Hendrix, Director Baker, and Director Brown

Nay: 2 - Chairperson Zech, and Director Walker-Griffea

8. New Business

New Business may be conducted after Item 11A. Closed Session

The Board will also discuss such other matters.

9. Reports

None

10. Remarks

A. Chairperson's Remarks

There were no Chairperson's remarks.

B. Board Members' Remarks

There were no Board Members' remarks.

11. Closed Session

A. [2021-277](#) Closed Session Request- Attorney Client Communication

Sponsors: Randal Brown

Indexes: General Counsel

Chairperson Zech advised the public that the Board may take action following today's Closed Session.

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion and Roll Call Vote to enter into Closed Session at 1:57 p.m.

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Support By: Freman Hendrix

Action: Approved

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chairperson Zech, Vice-Chairperson Quadrozzi, Secretary Hendrix, Director Baker, Director Brown, and Director Walker-Griffea

Entered Closed Session at 1:58 p.m.

Returned from Closed Session at 4:16 p.m.

The only matter discussed was attorney-client communication.

12. New Business

Chairperson Zech stated that the Board discussed the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee for an independent review of the June 25 and 26, 2021 rain event, both from an engineering standpoint, as well as a legal standpoint.

Along with Chairperson Zech, members Brian Baker and Gary Brown have volunteered to serve on the Committee.

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion and Support regarding the formation of the Ad Hoc Committee.

Motion by: Freman Hendrix

Support by: Jaye Quadrozzi

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Ad Hoc Committee Members:

Chairperson John J. Zech

Director Brian Baker

Director Gary Brown

13. Adjournment

Chairperson Zech requested a Motion to Adjourn.

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi

Support By: Gary Brown

Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.