



# Great Lakes Water Authority

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Detroit, Michigan 48226  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Board of Directors

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Wednesday, September 27, 2023

2:00 PM

Plymouth United Church of Christ

600 E. Warren Ave

Detroit, MI 48201

and

Zoom:

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#### 1. Call to Order

Chairperson Hendrix called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

#### 2. Quorum Call

**Present:** 6 - Chairperson Freman Hendrix, Vice-Chairperson Brian Baker, Secretary Mark Miller, Director Gary Brown, Director Jaye Quadrozzi, and Director John J. Zech

### 3. Consent Matters

William M. Wolfson, Chief Administrative and Compliance Officer, stated that the Legal Committee would like to move items 8. G. - I., and add item 2023-365 (Possession and Use Agreement between GLWA and 51172 Dequindre, LLC, Property Owner of Parcel 8 Vacant Land, Rochester Hills, MI 48307, Tax ID No. 70-15-13-477-002) to the 3.C. Consent Matters, which would then be items 3C. i. - iv.

Chairperson Hendrix requested a Motion to move the requested items to 3.C. Consent Matters.

Motion By: Jaye Quadrozzi  
Support By: John J. Zech  
Action: Approved  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

#### A. Approval of Minutes (Item for Consent)

- i. [2023-333](#) September 13, 2023 Board of Directors Workshop Meeting Minutes (Draft)

**Sponsors:** Rechanda Willis

**Attachments:** [Minutes - September 13, 2023 Board of Directors Workshop Meeting](#)

Motion By: Brian Baker  
Support By: John J. Zech  
Action: Approved  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

#### B. Communications (Item for Consent)

- i. [2023-332](#) Receipt of Correspondence

No Action Taken

#### C. New Business (Items for Consent)

- i. [2023-316](#) Easement Agreement between GLWA and Antonio and Maria Dushaj, Property Owner of 50840 Dequindre Road, Shelby Township, MI 48317

**Sponsors:** Randal Brown

**Indexes:** General Counsel

Motion By: Brian Baker  
Support By: John J. Zech  
Action: Approved  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- ii. [2023-334](#) **Easement Agreement between GLWA and Jeffrey and Dawn Flanigan, Property Owner of 51032 Dequindre Road, Shelby Township, MI 48317**

**Sponsors:** Randal Brown

**Indexes:** General Counsel

**Motion By:** Brian Baker  
**Support By:** John J. Zech  
**Action:** Approved  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- iii. [2023-352](#) **Easement Agreement between GLWA and Dennis and Deborah Hayden, Property Owner of 51172 Dequindre Road, Shelby Township, MI 48307**

**Sponsors:** Randal Brown

**Indexes:** General Counsel

**Motion By:** Brian Baker  
**Support By:** John J. Zech  
**Action:** Approved  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- iv. [2023-365](#) **Possession and Use Agreement between GLWA and 51172 Dequindre, LLC, Property Owner of Parcel 8 Vacant Land, Rochester Hills, MI 48307, Tax ID No 70-15-13-477-002**

**Sponsors:** Randal Brown

**Indexes:** General Counsel

**Motion By:** Brian Baker  
**Support By:** John J. Zech  
**Action:** Approved  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

#### 4. Approval of Agenda

Chairperson Hendrix requested a Motion to Approve the Agenda as Amended.

**Motion By:** Mark Miller  
**Support By:** Gary Brown  
**Action:** Approved as Amended  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

#### 5. Approval of Consent Matters (Items 3A.i., 3B.i., and 3.C. i. - iv.)

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

## 6. Public Comment

Linda Wheeler, who is with the Highland Park Water Advocacy Group, addressed the Board regarding Highland Park water and sewerage debt and to ask when GLWA will hold a community meeting in Highland Park.

Janet Spight White addressed the Board regarding a community meeting in Highland Park and asked for a date that the meeting will occur, to which William M. Wolfson, Chief Administrative and Compliance Officer, gave a response.

L. Frye, a resident of Highland Park, addressed the Board regarding GLWA and Highland Park proceedings and asked for a brief update.

## 7. Old Business

None

## 8. New Business (Items for Discussion)

### A. [2023-351](#) Resiliency Team Progress GLWA Board of Directors Update

**Sponsors:** Navid Mehram

**Indexes:** Wastewater Operations

**Attachments:** [2023 Resiliency Board Update - September Flood Prevention](#)

**Motion By:** Brian Baker

**Support By:** Gary Brown

**Action:** Received and Filed

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### B. [2023-325](#) Proposed Amendment No. 1 Contract No. 2201558 Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Deliveries O&M

**Sponsors:** Cheryl Porter

**Indexes:** Water Operations

**Motion By:** Gary Brown

**Support By:** Jaye Quadrozzi

**Action:** Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**C. [2023-326](#) Proposed Change Order No. 2  
Contract No. 2103206  
Emergency Replacement of Effluent Butterfly Valves Actuators at  
Seven Mile and Puritan-Fenkell CSO Facilities  
I&E**

**Sponsors:** Navid Mehram

**Indexes:** Wastewater Operations

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

**D. [2023-327](#) Proposed Change Order No. 4  
Contract No. GLWA-CON-197  
Modifications to Incineration Sludge Feed Systems in Complex II at  
WRRF  
CIP #213007/ BCE Score: 96.2**

**Sponsors:** Navid Mehram

**Indexes:** Wastewater Operations

**Motion By:** Mark Miller  
**Support By:** John J. Zech  
**Action:** Approved  
The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**E. [2023-336](#) Resolution Regarding Approval of Series Ordinance Authorizing  
Issuance and Sale of Water Supply System Revenue and Revenue  
Refunding Bonds in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$925,000,000  
(Ordinance 2023-05)**

**Sponsors:** Nicolette Bateson

**Indexes:** Finance

**Attachments:** [7A1 Audit Committee Memo- Water Revenue and Refunding Series Ordinance](#)  
[7A3 Series Ordinance \(2023 Water Refunding with Tender\)](#)  
[7A4 Resolution Approving 2023 Water Series Ordinance \(Refunding with Tender\)](#)

**Motion By:** Gary Brown  
**Support By:** Brian Baker  
**Action:** Approved  
The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Hendrix, Vice-Chairperson Baker, Secretary Miller, Director Brown, Director Quadrozzi, and Director Zech

**F. [2023-337](#) Resolution Regarding Approval of Series Ordinance Authorizing Issuance and Sale of Sewage Disposal System Revenue and Refunding Bonds in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$1,600,000,000 (Ordinance 2023-06)**

**Sponsors:** Nicolette Bateson

**Indexes:** Finance

**Attachments:** [7B1 Audit Committee Memo- Sewer Revenue and Refunding Series Ordinance](#)  
[7B3 Series Ordinance \(2023 Sewer Refunding with Tender\)](#)  
[7B4 Resolution Approving 2023 Sewer Series Ordinance \(Refunding with Tender\)](#)

**Motion By: John J. Zech**

**Support By: Mark Miller**

**Action: Approved**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Hendrix, Vice-Chairperson Baker, Secretary Miller, Director Brown, Director Quadrozzi, and Director Zech

**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. CEO's Report**

**A. [2023-361](#) CEO Report - September 27, 2023**

**Sponsors:** Suzanne Coffey

**Indexes:** Office of the Executive

**Attachments:** [CEO Report - September 27, 2023 and Office of General Counsel Report](#)

**Motion By:** Gary Brown

**Support By:** Brian Baker

**Action:** Received and Filed

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**12. Other Matters**

There were no other matters.

**13. Closed Session**

**A. [2023-362](#) Closed Session Request - Pending Litigation - DWSD v HIGHLAND PARK, WCCC No. 14-001974-CK; GLWA V HIGHLAND PARK, WCCC No. 20-011589-CB**

**Sponsors:** Randal Brown

**Indexes:** General Counsel

Chairperson Hendrix requested a Motion and Roll Call Vote to enter into Closed Session at 3:50 p.m.

**Motion By:** Brian Baker

**Support By:** Mark Miller

**Action:** Approved

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Hendrix, Vice-Chairperson Baker, Secretary Miller, Director Brown, Director Quadrozzi, and Director Zech

**B. [2023-363](#) Closed Session Request - Attorney-Client Communications**

**Sponsors:** Randal Brown

**Indexes:** General Counsel

**Motion By:** Jaye Quadrozzi

**Support By:** Gary Brown

**Action:** Approved

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Hendrix, Vice-Chairperson Baker, Secretary Miller, Director Brown, Director Quadrozzi, and Director Zech

C. [2023-364](#) **Closed Session Request - Pending Litigation - General Mill Supply Co v GLWA and City of Detroit, WCCC 18-0011569-CZ**

**Sponsors:** Randal Brown

**Indexes:** General Counsel

**Motion By:** Mark Miller

**Support By:** John J. Zech

**Action:** Approved

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairperson Hendrix, Vice-Chairperson Baker, Secretary Miller, Director Brown, Director Quadrozzi, and Director Zech

Entered Closed Session at 3:59 p.m.

Returned from Closed Session at 4:31 p.m.

The only matters discussed were Pending Litigation - DWSD v Highland Park, WCCC No. 14-001974-CK; GLWA v Highland Park, WCCC No. 20-011589-CB; Attorney-Client Communications; and Pending Litigation - General Mill Supply Co v GLWA and City of Detroit, WCCC 18-0011569-CZ.

**14. Adjournment**

Chairperson Hendrix 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 4:32 p.m.