

# **Great Lakes Water Authority**

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# **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

## **Board of Directors**

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

2:00 PM

Water Board Building 5th Floor

Zoom Telephonic Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Meeting ID: 833 7762 0411 Passcode: 995980

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Miller called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. Quorum Call

Present: 5 - Chairperson Mark Miller, Vice-Chairperson John J. Zech, Director Brian Baker,

Director Gary Brown, and Director Freman Hendrix

Excused: 1 - Secretary Jaye Quadrozzi

3. Consent Matters

William M. Wolfson, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, stated that the Legal Committee has requested to move New Business items 8. B. - D. to 3C. Consent

Matters, where they will become items 3C. viii. - x.

There being no objections by the Board, the requested items were moved to 3C.

**Consent Matters.** 

A. Approval of Minutes (Item for Consent)

i. 2025-269 July 23, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (Draft)

**Sponsors:** Rechanda Willis

Attachments: Minutes - July 23, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown Action: Approved

### **B.** Communications (Items for Consent)

i. <u>2025-266</u> Receipt of Correspondence

<u>Attachments:</u> memorandum - 20250801 - REQ-0005499 LHWTP Flocculator

Improvements Emergency PO

Response to Public Comment at BOD Meeting on 07.23.2025

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown Action: Received and Filed

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

C. New Business (Items for Consent)

i <u>2025-251</u> Requisition No. REQ-0005467

**Michigan Master Computing Program Contract (Hardware)** 

O&M

**Sponsors:** Jeffrey Small

**Indexes:** Information Technology

Attachments: REQ-0005467 Procurement Board Report.docx

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown Action: Approved

Action. Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ii. <u>2025-252</u> Requisition No. REQ-0005464

Michigan Master Computing Program Contract (Software)

O&M

Sponsors: Jeffrey Small

Indexes: Information Technology

<u>Attachments:</u> REQ-0005464 Procurement Board Report

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown

**Action: Approved** 

iii. 2025-253 Proposed Amendment No. 2

Contract No. 1904738/SCN-0000309

**Job Order Contract - Instrumentation and Controls Maintenance** 

Services (WRRF & CSOs)

O&M

Sponsors: Navid Mehram

Indexes: Wastewater Operations

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

iv. 2025-254 Proposed Change Order No. 1

Contract No. 2201762/SCN-0000301 PS1 Rack and Grit HVAC Upgrade CIP #211011/ BCE Score: 77.50

**Sponsors:** Navid Mehram

Indexes: Wastewater Operations

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown

**Action: Approved** 

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

v. <u>2025-256</u> Requisition No. REQ-0002688

2025 Task Order Engineering Services

O&M

Sponsors: Navid Mehram

Indexes: Wastewater Operations

Attachments: REQ-0002688 Procurement Board Report

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown

**Action: Approved** 

vi. 2025-257 Proposed Change Order No. 2

Contract No. 2201142/SCN-0000149

Conveyance System Infrastructure Improvements: Sewer In-System

Storage and Valve Remote Improvements

CIP #260701/BCE Score: 60.10

Sponsors: Navid Mehram

Indexes: Wastewater Operations

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

vii. 2025-258 Proposed Change Order No. 2

Contract No. 2203675/SCN-0000228

Conversion of Plumbing Shop to Satellite Warehouse Building 101

CIP #260905 /BCE Score: 50.70

Sponsors: Navid Mehram

**Indexes:** Wastewater Operations

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown

**Action: Approved** 

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

viii. 2025-264 Proposed Amendment 2 to Legal Services Contract LS-2302751

(Zausmer, P.C.)

Sponsors: David W. Jones

Indexes: General Counsel

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown

**Action: Approved** 

# ix. 2025-265 Proposed Amendment No. 5 to Legal Services Contract LS-2103067

(The Allen Law Group, P.C.)

**Sponsors:** David W. Jones

Indexes: General Counsel

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown

**Action: Approved** 

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### x. 2025-279 Purchase of Property Necessary for the Concord and Nevada

**Control Valve Project** 

Sponsors: David W. Jones

Indexes: General Counsel

Motion By: Brian Baker Support By: Gary Brown Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### 4. Approval of Agenda

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

Motion By: John J. Zech Support By: Gary Brown Action: Approved as Amended

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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

Chairperson Miller requested a Motion to Approve the Consent Matters.

A motion was made by Director Baker, seconded by Director Brown, to approve the Consent Matters. The motion carried unanimously.

#### 6. Public Comment

Davis Smith, representing Phoenix Environmental, came before the Board regarding bid protest relating to item 2025-209, Requisition No. REQ-0000030, Fuel Maintenance Services.

Rhonda Grayer, President of WT Stevens Construction, Inc., came before the Board with an introduction of WT Stevens Construction, Inc., which is a woman-owned firm doing underground utilities, and has recently completed a project for DWSD (Detroit Water and Sewerage Department), and looking for an opportunity to provide value and services to the Great Lakes Water Authority.

Ms. Grayer also introduced WT Stevens Construction's new partner, NTS Engineering, a 28-year old engineering firm which has recently initiated operations in Michigan, serving infrastructure of water and wastewater.

Teffani Dupot Anderson addressed the Board regarding GLWA's relationship to DWSD and DWSD's Lifelong Program.

#### 7. Old Business

A. <u>2025-209</u> Requisition No. REQ-0000030

**Fuel Maintenance Services** 

O&M

**Sponsors:** Cheryl Porter

**Indexes:** Water Operations

Attachments: REQ-0000030 Procurement Board Report

REQ-0000030 Cost Tabulation

REQ-0000030 Vendor Response Follow-up
REQ 0000030 Bid Award Protest Letter 7.22.25

Procurement Response - Phoenix Environmental Inc. Bid Protest

Notice to BOD related to Phoenix Environmental Inquiry

Motion By: Gary Brown Support By: Freman Hendrix

**Action: Approved** 

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### 8. New Business (Items for Discussion)

### A. 2025-267 Enterprise Risk Management Fiscal Year 2025 Update

Sponsors: William Wolfson and Keiano Vanzant

Indexes: Administration & Compliance

Attachments: ERM FY 2025 Board Presentation

Motion By: John J. Zech Support By: Gary Brown Action: Received and Filed

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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. <u>2025-278</u> CEO Report - August 27, 2025

**Sponsors:** Suzanne Coffey

Indexes: Office of the Executive

Attachments: CEO Report - August 27, 2025 (Final) withAttachment.pdf

Motion By: Freman Hendrix Support By: Brian Baker Action: Received and Filed

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

#### 12. Other Matters

William M. Wolfson, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, reminded Members of the Board that the Board will meet, as scheduled, on October 8, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. (Board of Directors Workshop) and the meeting will focus on the Annual Financial Plan Update.

Mr. Wolfson also advised members of the public that the Board is not expected to take action following today's Closed Session.

### 13. Closed Session

# A. <u>2025-268</u> Closed Session Request - Attorney-Client Communication(s)

Sponsors: David W. Jones and William Wolfson

Indexes: General Counsel

Entered Closed Session at 3:07 p.m.

Returned from Closed Session at 3:21 p.m.

The only matters discussed were attorney-client communications.

# 14. Adjournment

Chairperson Miller requested a Motion to Adjourn.

Motion By: Gary Brown Support By: Brian Baker Action: Approved

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.