

BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, May 2, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission was called to order at 10:04 A.M. on Thursday, May 2, 2024, at the executive offices of the Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts in its large executive conference room. Under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, signed into law by the Governor on March 29, 2023, further extending certain provisions of the Open Meeting law until March 31, 2025, this meeting was also conducted remotely. The dial in and meeting identification were publicly noticed.

Present at the meeting were Commissioner Michael J. Woodall, Commissioner Armindo Goncalves and Commissioner Christopher Cook constituting a quorum for the transaction of business; Messrs. Dayib, Flaherty, Gabrick, Hunt, Petruzzello, Rossi, Salvatore, J. Sullivan (online), P. Sullivan, Vitale, and Meses. Ma, Mahoney, McSweeney, Randolph and Theodat of the Commission Staff. Commissioner Woodall acted as Chairman and Mr. Vitale acted as Secretary. Also present were Special Counsel Luthin, C. Simonelli, Executive Director Boston Groundwater Trust and members of the public (online).

Upon opening the meeting Mr. Vitale gave an overview of the format of the meeting and informed participants that the meeting was being held in person and virtually and that the Commission would be meeting in Executive Session at the conclusion of the regular meeting.

Administration

Presentation

Mr. Christian Simonelli, the Executive Director of the Boston Groundwater Trust gave a presentation related to the impact of groundwater levels on wood piles within the City of Boston.

Approval of Minutes

Consideration was given to a draft of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commission held on Thursday, April 4, 2024. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook and Commissioner Goncalves, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commission held on Thursday, April 4, 2024, be, and they hereby are, approved.

I. Informational Reports

The Commission accepted the following informational reports:

1. Miscellaneous Disbursements (Schedules A, B, C & D) in the amount of \$353,572.62.

2. Update on the Commission's 4:1 Inflow and Infiltration Reduction Mitigation Account 2024
3. Affirmative Action Plan: First Quarter Report for the period January 1, 2024, through March 31, 2024.

II. GENERAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

The Commission accepted the following general management reports:

1. March 2024 Capital Improvement Program Budget Variance Report.
2. March 2024 Monthly Management Report.
3. March 2024 Revenue and Expense Analysis Report.

III. PROPOSALS AND CONTRACTS

Operations

1. Request for Authorization to Advertise Contract No. 23-201-007, Replacement of the BWSC's Roof and Roof Top HVAC Mechanical Equipment. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Chairman Woodall and Commissioner Goncalves, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to advertise Contract no. 23-201-007, replacement of the BWSC's roof and roof top HVAC mechanical Equipment.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There being no further business to come before this meeting, Chairman Woodall advised the Commissioners that it would be appropriate to go into Executive Session to approve the Executive Session Minutes and discuss litigation and the disposition of real estate. Upon Motion duly by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission go into Executive Session to approve the Executive Session Minutes and discuss certain other matters, the Commission having determined that conducting such business in open meeting would not be in the best interest of the Commission; and further

RESOLVED: To recess this meeting and meet in Executive Session.

Thereupon, at 11:22 A.M. the Commissioners reconvened the Open Meeting.

Upon the re-opening of the regular meeting the Executive Director acknowledged for the record that while in Executive Session the Board of Commission voted to authorize the settlement of the SOWA North litigation in the amount of \$200,000 and the conveyance to SOWA North LLC of the 15" storm drain in Thayer Street, to its connection with the 18' storm drain in Albany Street.

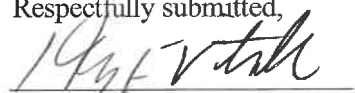
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, after further discussion upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook and Commissioner Goncalves, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: To adjourn.

Adjourned, accordingly, at 11:23 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Henry F. Vitale
Secretary