

Binghamton-Johnson City JOINT SEWAGE BOARD



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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BINGHAMTON - JOHNSON CITY JOINT SEWAGE BOARD

Tuesday, September 29, 2015

Conference Room, Office Building, JSTP

Members Present:

George Kolba, Jr., Chairman

Eugene Hulbert, Sr., Vice Chairman

Edward Crumb Ronald Davis Steve Andrew Gary Holmes

Also Present:

Cathy Young, Superintendent

Charles Pearsall, Business Manager

Bruce King, Village of Johnson City Trustee Jerry Motsavage, City of Binghamton Councilman

Alfred Paniccia, Jr., Esq., Co-Counsel John Perticone, Esq., Co-Counsel

Chuck Shager, City of Binghamton Comptroller

Chuck Robinson, City of Binghamton Staff Accountant

Laura Lee Perkins, Transcriptionist

Chairman George Kolba called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM. All Board Members and legal counsel were present. Sign-in sheet passed for signatures. Waiver of Notice passed for signatures to all Board Members.

Charles Pearsall discussed the 2014 financial statements and told the Board that is was an unqualified audit (i.e., no discrepancies reported); no audit points/recommendations; a couple of changes were made to restate 2013 items; the audit treatment of the insurance settlement was updated to reflect the deferred revenue treatment of the \$500,000 reserve for future BAF media purchase; typos need to be corrected; once approved by the Board, the audit will be submitted to appropriate parties.

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Edward Crumb made a motion for the Board to ratify the financial statement as of 12/13/14 with a snapshot date of 9/18/15; subject to correction of typographical errors, and direct the auditor and/or our Fiscal Officer to submit the report to FEMA, the State of New York, and the Federal government.

Ronald Davis seconded the motion

Eugene Hulbert, Sr. asked a question about the \$65,409,028 minimum future debt service figure, excluding interest subsidies, on page 21 of the report; Edward Crumb explained that the outstanding principal debt was \$48,638,387 as of the end of 2014, as shown on page 20. The figure Mr. Hulbert referred to is intended to show a potential future cash flow liability, which would be reduced by the amount of interest subsidy received from the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation. Eugene Hulbert, Sr. wanted it noted that the Plant's Owners will have between \$48,000,000 and \$65,000,000 in future debt service from previous construction that will be added to future billings.

Motion carried 6/0

A proposed Easement to NYSEG for the new electrical service to the Terminal Pumping Station was discussed. Co-Counsel Perticone inquired as to whether there was any objection from the Board to granting the easement to NYSEG at the TPS. Board Members recommend that the City of Binghamton negotiate and clarify NYSEG's responsibility for maintenance. Ideally, because it has the high-voltage equipment and trained personnel, NYSEG should maintain up to the TPS distribution panel. Gary Holmes stated that he will to check into the situation.

The 2014 Final Billing was presented and discussed. Edward Crumb stated that the final billing includes adjustments for Johnson City for 2012 and 2013, and to Plant Operating costs to transition the accounting to the MUNIS system.

Eugene Hulbert, Sr. made a motion for the Board to accept and approve the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Plant Final Billing Summary for 2014, version v2.0H, in which the a total amount of billable wastewater flows is 3,642,941 ccf; the final billing total is \$15,399,337.31; the net balance due is \$354,175.89; with the instructions to send out the corresponding invoices and credit memos.

Steve Andrew seconded the motion

Motion carried 6/0

Steve Andrew made a motion for the Board to adjourn. Eugene Hulbert, Sr. seconded the motion Motion carried 6/0

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Lee Perkins Transcriptionist

cc: Board Members

Mayor Rich David, City of Binghamton

Mayor Greg Deemie, Village of Johnson City

City Clerk, City of Binghamton

Village Clerk/Treasurer, Village of Johnson City

John Perticone, Esq. Alfred Paniccia, Esq.

Chuck Shager, Fiscal Officer

Catherine Young, Superintendent

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Robert Bennett, P.E., Village of Johnson City, Engineer

Gary Holmes, P.E., City of Binghamton, Acting Engineer

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