

WESTCHESTER JOINT WATER WORKS
Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, October 21, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. with the following members present:

Present:

- Trustees: Nancy Seligson, Tom Murphy (Arrived 4:10 p.m.), Ron Belmont
- David Birdsall, Business Director
- Terrence O'Neill, General Superintendent
- Lori Lee Dickson, General Counsel

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Belmont made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2019 Board Meeting. Trustee Seligson seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	"aye"
Trustee Murphy*	Not Present
Trustee Belmont	"aye"

*Trustee Murphy arrived 4:10 p.m.

Financial Reports and Approvals

The Business Director reviewed bank balances and presented the claims to the Board highlighting significant items, among them: Sewer rent payments to municipalities, distribution system repairs, monthly NYSHIP insurance premium and WJWW payroll.

Approval of Claims: Trustee Belmont made a motion to approve 111 claims totaling \$1,012,177. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	"aye"
Trustee Belmont	"aye"
Trustee Murphy	"aye"

The Business Director presented to the Board a listing of delinquent customer accounts in the Town of Harrison for review. Approval for the transfer of the tax levy for water arrears to the Town of Harrison at a cost of \$249,235.67 is requested. Trustee Belmont made a motion to approve \$249,235.67 for the transfer of the tax levy for water arrears to the Town of Harrison. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	"aye"
Trustee Belmont	"aye"
Trustee Murphy	"aye"

Insurance renewal quotes have been received for WJWW's property and liability insurance program which are showing an approximate 2.3% increase after adjusting for changes in coverages/exposures, a favorable result given current market conditions. Trustee Belmont made a motion to approve the renewal of WJWW's insurance program coverages in the amount of \$204,47. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	"aye"
Trustee Belmont	"aye"
Trustee Murphy	"aye"

Old Business

The General Superintendent and Business Director updated the Board on the status of several projects:

- Kenilworth Tank: An application for a variance for a fence, needed due to zoning fence height limits, has been submitted to the Town of Harrison. It is expected the variance will be granted as several factors, such as security and safety, are at issue. A Zoning Board of Appeals hearing is scheduled for November 14th.
- Wegmans: Installation of water main lines are in the final stages.
- Southridge Road: Installation of the water main is completed.
- Post Office: Work is moving along well.

Manager's Report

Westchester County Board of Health meeting on October 17th - The Business Director explained that the Manager attended the Board of Health meeting and spoke to the Board about efforts to reduce haloacetic acid levels in the drinking water. The discussion addressed health impacts of exposure to haloacetic acids and short and long-term measures being taken. A proposed filtration plant, adjacent to the Westchester County Airport, was discussed and the role it would play in reducing haloacetic acid levels and in complying with regulations was highlighted. Supervisor Seligson, who was in attendance, reported that the Manager's presentation was well received and that the Board was attentive, measured and engaged, asking many questions. Supervisor Seligson suggested that the Westchester County Airport Advisory Committee be included in filtration plant discussions and feels a meeting with this committee would be beneficial.

New Business

Two capital projects in the Village of Mamaroneck were presented to the Board for consideration:

- Shore Acres Drive: Replacement of an 875 linear foot section of transite water main is being proposed following a recent failure of a portion of the water main. Vulnerable temporary water connections have been serving all affected residents and this project is being added to the emergency/priority services agreement in order that the work be completed expeditiously as with all transite water main replacements.

Approval of a local capital project (A-1361) to replace 875 linear feet of water main at an estimated cost of \$750,000 (inclusive of estimated engineering services in the amount of \$36,600, to be provided by Wasp Engineering) is requested. Trustee Murphy made a motion to approve local capital

project (A-1361) for the replacement of 875 feet of transite water main on Shore Acres Drive in the Village of Mamaroneck for \$750,000. Trustee Belmont seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	“aye”
Trustee Belmont	“aye”
Trustee Murphy	“aye”

Approval for estimated engineering services in the amount of \$36,600, to be provided by Wasp Engineering, related to the replacement of a section of water main at Shore Acres Drive, is requested. Trustee Belmont made a motion to approve payment to Wasp Engineering for estimated engineering services related to a local capital project at Shore Acres Drive in the Village of Mamaroneck in the amount of \$36,600. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	“aye”
Trustee Belmont	“aye”
Trustee Murphy	“aye”

- Hillside Avenue Bridge: The addition of a section of water main to span the bridge that would connect water mains that now dead end at either side was discussed. The bridge replacement will be a joint project involving the Village of Mamaroneck, Town of Mamaroneck and the Town of Rye, with Village of Mamaroneck taking the lead. Additionally, the replacement of an undersized and deteriorated water main on Howard Avenue, beyond the bridge location, was also discussed. A follow-up meeting with the Village of Mamaroneck is being scheduled.

Executive Session

At 4:41, Trustee Murphy made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Trustee Belmont seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	“aye”
Trustee Belmont	“aye”
Trustee Murphy	“aye”

At 5:01, Trustee Belmont made a motion to leave Executive Session and return to the regular Board meeting. Trustee Seligson seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Seligson	“aye”
Trustee Belmont	“aye”
Trustee Murphy	“aye”

Date of Next Meeting

The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for November 21st, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Belmont made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion:

Trustee Seligson	“aye”
Trustee Belmont	“aye”
Trustee Murphy	“aye”

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.