#### WESTCHESTER JOINT WATER WORKS

# Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday, December 27, 2023 at 4:45 p.m.

### **Present**:

- Trustees: Jaine Elkind Eney (in-person), Rich Dionisio (in-person), and Sharon Torres (in-person)
- Lori Lee Dickson, General Counsel (in-person)
- Paul Kutzy, Manager (in-person)
- David Birdsall, Business Director (via videoconferencing)
- Zach Wasp, Assistant Civil Engineer (via videoconferencing)

### **Approval of Minutes**

Trustee Dionisio made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023 Board Meeting minutes. Trustee Torres seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Elkind Eney	"aye"
Trustee Dionisio	"aye"
Trustee Torres	"aye"

### **Financial Reports and Approvals**

David Birdsall, Business Director, reviewed bank balances and presented claims to the Board highlighting significant items, among them: Water Purchases from NYC (October) (NYC Water Board), Payroll Costs (Two payroll periods), Property Insurance Premium Installment (Allianz Global) (Arthur Gallagher), Treatment Plant Equipment, Installation and Maintenance (T. English & Associates), Meters, Pipe, Valves & Other Water Distribution System Materials (Core & Main, Capital Supply, and Carmel Winwater), and Main Electric Power (November) (NY Power Authority).

Approval of Claims: Trustee Dionisio made a motion to approve 90 claims totaling \$1,247,162. Trustee Torres seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee Elkind Eney	"aye"
Trustee Dionisio	"aye"
Trustee Torres	"aye"

#### General Administration:

• New York State Drinking Water Intermunicipal Grant Award (DWIMG) – Chair/Trustee Elkind Eney signed a letter from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC) on behalf of WJWW, accepting the \$30 million grant that was awarded to WJWW for the Rye Lake Filtration Plant. David Birdsall, Business Director, shared that WJWW is working on subsidized financing options through the New York State Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) with the NYSEFC, and is continuing to look for other financing options to help further offset the cost of the filtration plant.

#### **Old Business**

- Rye Lake Filtration Plant:
  - O Lori Lee Dickson, General Counsel, explained that there were no new updates to report at this time and that things are continuing to move forward, procedurally. The draft Consent Order is currently in the hands of the USDOJ and the NYSAG, but a response is expected from them soon. Details of the Consent Order are confidential but will be made public when appropriate.
- Project, System Maintenance and Operational Updates:
  - o No new updates were reported at this time.

# Manager's Report

No Manager's Report was needed at this time.

#### **New Business**

No New Business to discuss at this time.

#### **Executive Session**

No Executive Session was needed at this time.

# **Date of Next Meeting**

The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 4:45 p.m.

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

Trustee Elkind Eney "aye"
Trustee Dionisio "aye"
Trustee Torres "aye"

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.