

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

DECEMBER 21, 2016

MEETING MINUTES

SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

ROLL CALL

The Board of Directors of the Sewerage and Water Board met on Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 9:00 AM in the Board Room at 625 St. Joseph Street. The Executive Director, Cedric S. Grant, called the roll and showed the following members present: Scott Jacobs, Alan Arnold, Robin Barnes, Marion Bracy, Ralph Johnson, Joseph Peychaud, Dr. Tamika Duplessis and Jeff Hebert.

The following member(s) were absent: Kerri Kane, Eric Blue and Kimberly Thomas.

Also present were: Geneva Coleman, The Hawthorne Agency; Pamela Burleigh, SOL Engineering Services, LLC; Amer Tufail, Greenpoint Engineers; Fannie Bennett, Buchart Horn; Doug Evans, B.K.I; Randy Smith, Royal Engineers.

Staff present were: Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director; Robert Miller, Deputy Director, CFO; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Bruce Adams, Deputy General Superintendent; Sharon Judkins, Deputy Director, Administration; Valerie Rivers, Deputy Director, Logistics; Lisa Martin, Deputy Director, Communications; Kimberly Johnson, Deputy Director, Continuous Improvement; Nolan Lambert, Special Counsel; Harold Marchand, Legal Department; Kathleen LaFrance, Jasmin Lawrence, Susan Higginbotham, Board Relations Staff; Jason Higginbotham, Emergency Management Department.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS REPORT

Marion Bracy moved to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on November 16, 2016. Robin Barnes seconded the motion. The motion carried.

HONORS AND AWARDS

There were no Honors and Awards for the month of December 2016.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Cedric S. Grant presented a slide presentation that focused on the following topics of discussion:

- Drainage Millage Renewal
- 2016 Accomplishments

Key Agenda Topics:

- **Audit Committee:** Overtime and Standby Time Overview, Monthly Human Resources Activity Report, Veolia/Swiss Resilience Report.
- **Finance & Administration Committee:** 2017 Operating Budget and 2017 Capital Budget Cost of Living Adjustments for Board Pensioners.
- **Pension Committee:** COLA for Board Pensioners.
- **New Business:** Adoption of 2017 Operating and Capital Budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Dr. Tamika Duplessis reported on the presentation items received by the Audit Committee. Marion Bracy moved acceptance of the Audit Committee's report and the Audit Committee's recommendations, therein. Joseph Peychaud seconded the motion. The motion carried.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Scott Jacobs reported on the actions taken by the Finance & Administration Committee. Robert Miller recapped the 2016-2025 Financial Plan prepared by Black & Veatch for the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans.

Joseph Peychaud moved acceptance of the Finance & Administration Committee's report and the Finance & Administration Committee's recommendations, therein. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDING RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were adopted in conjunction with approval of the Committee reports as follows:

R-163-2016 – Furnishing Liquid Ferric Sulfate – Req. Nos. AL160035 & CM160041.

R-164-2016 – Contract #1397 – Improvement to Michoud Water Tower.

R-165-2016 – Contract #30208 – New Orleans East Basin – Village De L'est/Viavant Isle – Sewer Rehabilitation.

R-167-2016 – Contract #8142 – Repaving open cuts in streets, driveways, and sidewalks resulting from the repair to the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans underground utilities.

R-168-2016 – Ratification of Change Order No. 5 for Contract #8143 Hurricane Katrina related repairs to Central Yard Garage #2.

R-169-2016 – Ratification of Change Order No. 1 for Contract #2111 – Water main point repair, water service connection, water valve and fire hydrant replacement at various sites throughout Orleans Parish.

R-170-2016 – Ratification of Change Order No. 1 for Contract #30015 – Restoration of existing gravity sewer by point repair and CIPP Lining of sewer main at various sites throughout Orleans Parish.

R-171-2016 – Ratification of Change Order No. 11 for Contract #1351 – Hurricane Katrina related repairs to A&B Pumps and Auxiliaries at the Carrollton Water Purification Plant/Power Complex.

R-172-2016 – Contract #30207 – New Orleans East Basin – Read Boulevard East/Viavant – Sewer Rehabilitation.

R-173-2016 – Contract #3664 – 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Replacement of Sewage Pumping Station No. 8.

R-174-2016 – 2017 Operating Budget and 2017 Capital Budget Blanket Appropriations December 21, 2016.

R-175-2016 – 2017 Operating Budget.

R-176-2016 – Adoption of 2017 Capital Budget and Acceptance of 2017-2026 Capital Improvement Program.

PRESENTATION ITEMS

Monthly Human Resources Activity Report for the Period November 1 through November 30, 2016

Sharon Judkins presented the Monthly Human Resources Activity Report for the month of November 2016 and an overview of the Human Resource Activities.

Executive Director’s Approval of Contracts for \$1,000,000.00 or less

The contracts approved by the Executive Director that were \$1,000,000.00 or less are as follows:

1. Cycle Construction Co. LLC for Furnishing Secondary Chlorination Stations at Venetian Isles Contract #1393.
2. Postlewaite and Netterville for Independent Financial Auditing Services.
3. Ourso-Beychok, Inc to provide creative direction copywriting, design and production supervision for print and digital educational material related to the operation of water, sewer and drainage system as part of communication strategy to inform the public regarding the December 10, 2016 drainage millage election.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were submitted for informational purposes only:

- FEMA Status Report
- Report of the General Superintendent
- Report of Special Counsel

- Financial Statements
- Commitments to City Council

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ralph Johnson moved to adjourn. Marion Bracy seconded. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:35 AM.