

## PAWTUCKET WATER SUPPLY BOARD

The 409<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pawtucket Water Supply Board met on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:00 PM

William Masuck called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

### **PWSB Members Present**

William Masuck – present

James Bradford – present

Thomas Hodge - present

Mike Araujo – present

Mark Theroux – present

### **PWSB Staff Present**

James DeCelles - Chief Engineer

Robert Benson – CFO

Joe Keough – Attorney

Katie Peters – Executive Assistant

### **Public Attendees**

Brian Marzilli – property owner of 204 Newell Ave

### **4. Consent Agenda**

Discussion of the sludge removal took place. Synagro has closed operations for the winter and will resume in the spring. There are no new updates on Bristol or Attleboro connections.

A motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by James Bradford and seconded by Mike Araujo.

### **Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck – Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Thomas Hodge – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

**APPROVED**

**New Business:**

**5C. Bill Adjustment Request - 204 Newell Ave, Pawtucket**

Mr. Brian Marzilli sent a letter to the Board requesting that a relief from a high water bill. Mr. Marzilli spoke before the board to explain the situation. Mr. Marzilli says that the tenants at his building on Newell Ave were disgruntled about being evicted and therefore tampered with the hot water heater, causing a large leak. The PWSB left door tags at the beginning of September and October, but Mr. Marzilli did not realize there was a water leak until November. The board agreed that it was a difficult situation and therefore they agreed to set up a 24 month payment plan for Mr. Marzilli to pay down the high bill.

Motion deny this bill adjustment was made by Thomas Hodge and seconded by Mark Theroux.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck – Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Thomas Hodge – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

**APPROVED**

**5A. Veolia Post-Merger Reorganization**

The PWSB received a letter from Veolia regarding the high-level merger between SUEZ North America and Veolia North America. This merger does not affect PWSB day to day operations in any way. A motion was made for attorney Joe Keough to send a letter acknowledging receipt of the letter but not approving, as there is nothing for the PWSB to consent to.

A motion to approve was made by Mike Araujo and seconded by Mark Theroux.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck – Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Thomas Hodge – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

**APPROVED**

**5B. Blackstone River Watershed Council Mitigation Project Description**

The PWSB received a letter from The Blackstone River Watershed Council looking for approval to restore Granite Park, a section of land along the Blackstone River that the PWSB owns. The council will clean up the debris, get rid of invasive plant, plant native trees, and mow the lawn. A motion to sign off on this project and allow the cleanup was made, under the condition that The Blackstone River Watershed Council agrees to indemnify the PWSB against any legal action and give approval of the release of any legal liability for the PWSB. Joe Keough will draft and send that letter to the council. The motion was approved by Mike Araujo and seconded by Thomas Hodge.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck – Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Thomas Hodge – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

**APPROVED**

Next scheduled meeting will be on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Araujo and seconded by Mark Theroux.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck – Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Thomas Hodge – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

**APPROVED**

Meeting adjourned at 5:31 pm.

Certified by PAWTUCKET WATER SUPPLY BOARD, recorded by kp

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Masuck".

William Masuck, Chairperson