

**Bangor Water District
Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of the
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 18, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Bangor Water District Board of Trustees was held at 3:45 p.m. in the Hughes Building, 614 State Street. Present were:

Ralph Foss
Richard Fournier
Patty Hamilton
John Lawler
Dan Wellington

being more than a quorum of Trustees. Absent: Trustees Grosjean and Palmer. Also in attendance: General Manager Moriarty, District Engineer Soucier, Financial Manager Bailey, Water Quality Manager Page, and Office Manager Marchegiani. The clerk kept the minutes.

I. Public Comment: None.

II. Administrative:

Minutes: approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Finance Manager Bailey indicated

- Metered revenue year-to-date is down three percent from budget, due primarily to a rainy spring.
- Expenses year-to-date are lower than budget due to less wages (employee on workers comp) and health insurance expenditures, and the timing of several purchases

She said representatives from FirstAdvisors – who manage Bangor Water's investments to fund retirement contributions – will be holding their annual consultation with the Board at the August meeting. After discussion, the Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

Progress Report: After questions about the various percentage of each size of pipe as it related to main repairs, the report was accepted as presented.

III. Old Business:

Engineer's Report: Soucier updated the Board on

- Hammond St Phase II – sewer work nearing completion, second section of water main has passed pressure test and chlorination.
- Broadway (State to Cumberland) – main line is through intersection at Somerset (on target for completion before school starts). Pressure-test and chlorination starts shortly. Work beyond Somerset St to Cumberland is next phase.
- Hammond St @ Maine Ave – contractor mobilizing last week of July, starting at Corporate Drive and working back to I-95. Night work and/or detours will likely be required at major intersections

JPS Window and doors: Soucier presented bid results for replacement all interior and exterior doors at Johnston Pump Station to improve energy efficiency. Two of three vendors returned bids, and staff requested additional information from each on “new construction” vs. “replacement” regarding the exterior windows. After discussion, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded unanimously

VOTED: to award the bid to D P Porter at \$58,308 (low bid).

Work force planning: Moriarty noted that the recently vacated position of Assistant Construction Supervisor would not be filled, but instead an additional utility worker had been hired for the department.

Mitigation Waiver: Moriarty reminded the Board that the Silver Maple Wind Farm (SWEB Development) adjacent to the Floods Pond watershed was siting additional turbines, and had asked the Board for a waiver to locate some turbines closer to Bangor Water’s boundary than allowed by Clifton town ordinance. The Board reviewed the mitigation waiver that had been reviewed by legal counsel; several Trustees asked if the District should ask for a written commitment to allow access over SWEB lands should the utility decided to install turbines on its own property. After discussion, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the General Manager to sign the Mitigation Waiver with SWEB as

presented

AND to authorize the Board chair, if feasible in a timely manner and pursuant to Board discussion, to approve an addendum to the Mitigation Waiver related specifically to the right of access by Bangor Water District across the Grantee’s land to construct, operate, repair, and otherwise facilitate District wind turbine-related needs.

IV. New Business:

Employee Recognition: Moriarty reported that water treatment operator Dunham had received his Class III license for water treatment, completing his licensing requirements.

2017 Forest Harvest Plan: Page outlined the 70-acre harvest planned for later this summer, which include some areas too steep for a mechanical harvester that will be cut by hand crews. The anticipated yield is 1680 tons, within the sustainable annual yield range of 1606-2450 tons. Bangor Water’s forestry consultant had indicated that prices for hardwood pulp had stabilized but finding a market for softwood pulp continued to be a problem. As a result, net revenue of only about \$18,000 is projected from the harvest.

Butler roof bid: After describing the specific nature of the work to be done, Soucier presented the three bids received. She recommended award to G&E Roofing based on compliance with specs, past experience with work, warranty provided, and response to critical drain work. After review, it was upon motion being duly made and seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to award the bid to G&E Roofing at \$65,608.

Maine Municipal Bond Bank loan authorization: Bailey noted the authorization was for water main replacement on Exchange, French, and State streets as well as the Butler Ozone plant upgrades. It was upon motion being duly made and seconded, unanimously:

VOTED:

(1) That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the application made to the State Revolving Loan Fund at the Maine Municipal Bond Bank for approval to borrow up to \$1,265,124, less forgiveness of up to \$63,257, of permanent financing to fund Main Replacement on French, State and Exchange Streets and Butler Ozone Plant Treatment Upgrades, including design and construction costs, transaction costs and all related expenses (the "Project").

(2) That, pursuant to authority granted by the Charter of the Bangor Water District, and specifically Section 8 thereof, and any other applicable law, the District is hereby authorized to issue and sell to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank a Taxable Water Bond of the District (the "Bond") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,265,124 to fund the Project, said funding to include transaction costs and all other expenses reasonably related to the Project.

(3) That the District Treasurer and Chair of the Board of Trustees are hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Bond on behalf of the District to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. The Bond is to be sold upon such further terms and conditions and at such interest rates as may be approved by the Treasurer and Chair of the Board of Trustees, and shall have the District seal affixed and be attested by the District Clerk. The term of the Bond does not exceed 120% of the economic life of the Project.

(4) That the District Treasurer is authorized and directed to issue a revenue obligation note or notes to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank in the amount of up to \$1,265,124 on behalf of the District at 1% interest for a term not to exceed one year, to fund the Project, said interim funding to include engineering and construction costs, transaction costs and all other expenses reasonably related thereto.

(5) That the District hereby irrevocably pledges the user fees, rates, assessments and other charges of the District for the payment of the debt service on the Bond.

(6) That the Treasurer and Chair of the Board of Trustees are hereby authorized to execute and deliver Loan Agreements with the Maine Municipal Bond Bank, in such form as the Maine Municipal Bond Bank shall require, for the interim loan and for the permanent financing.

(7) That the District officers and officials are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all documents and certificates, and to take any and all actions, including affixing the seal of the District as may be necessary or convenient to carry out the full purport and intent of the foregoing orders, or any one of them.

V. Other Business

None.

Board Correspondence: As distributed.

Hearing no further business to come before the meeting, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously
VOTED: to adjourn at 5:10 p.m.

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