

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday, August 18, 2021
8:30 a.m.**

WESTERN COUNTY SERVICE CENTER – via Remote.

Members Present: Dries, Smith, Schmidt, Pratt, McCririe

Members Absent: Maciejewski, McCormick

Liaison Present: Commissioner Jason Morgan

Public Present: None

Staff Present: Theo Eggermont, Public Works Director
Lauren Koloski, Environmental Supervisor
Michelle Katz, Water Resources Program Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Chair Dries called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

2. Member Virtual roll call

Dries, attending remotely, Scio Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan
Schmidt, attending remotely, City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan
McCririe, attending remotely, City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan
Pratt, attending remotely, City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan
Smith, attending remotely, Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan
Morgan, attending remotely, City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Pratt, supported by McCririe, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes-June 16, 2021

Motion by Schmidt, supported by McCririe, to approve the meeting minutes of June 16, 2021.

5. Public Comment-Related to Meeting Agenda Items

Public Commentary- (3 Minutes per Speaker)**

No Public in attendance

6. Reports/Program Updates

A) Lake Improvement Projects Update

Koloski reported in the next two weeks the 2021 lake treatments will be completed. She also reported Progressive AE has been out on doing survey on the Chain of Lakes to provide updates for any additional treatment areas that will be needed.

Koloski mentioned the Annual lake meetings are usually in the late fall and spring months and they will be scheduling those for 2022. She also reported all the lake treatment maps are up on the website for each of the projects.

Koloski also reported the Educational Meeting for the Chain of Lakes Improvement project has been scheduled for the end of September and will send the invitation to the Board members as well.

Smith asked about the lake scan reporting and if those are available to the public for review.

Koloski mentioned all those reports are posted on the lake improvement projects websites for review.

Eggermont reported that he had a conversation with Pat Hohl, Supervisor from Hamburg Township with regards to the renewal of the Chain of Lake Improvement Project, discussing the challenges with the upper four lakes within the Chain. He reported that Hohl is proposing to do a PA188 project for those lakes located in Livingston County. Eggermont feels this proposal from Hohl would be beneficial to us for the remainder of the lakes.

McCrie mentioned he is a property owner on the Portage Lake. He mentioned he would be in favor of this proposal from Hamburg Township. Eggermont asked if any other members have comments to please let him know.

B) PIAC Update

Approved Meeting Minutes from 5/24/21,6/14/21 & 6/28/21
Received & Filed

C) WRRMA Update

Approved Meeting Minutes from 5/17/21 & 6/21/21
Received & Filed

D) Directors Report

- Arbor Hills (GFL) Annual Host Agreement Meeting Minutes 8/6/21

Pratt mentioned he attended, and the minutes provided covered the discussion that they had during the meeting. Eggermont shared highlights, mentioning the odor complaints have decreased tremendously. GFL mentioned they have a goal of getting this down zero complaints from neighboring properties. He mentioned they are meeting their terms of their Host agreement. GFL has been providing services for partnerships in events. He mentioned there are been some issues with PFAS. Eggermont is checking into more of the PFAS issues with EGLE. Schmidt mentioned the tone was very collaborative and good conversations. Smith asked about PFAS and wells in the area and if there is sampling taking place. Eggermont responded there has been sampling done and the testing results were within the threshold. Pratt mentioned that the sampling was done after the mandated changes of the threshold detection of PFAS. He also mentioned that Environmental Health has the reports of the well sampling and he will forward these results to the board members.

- GFL Recycling Services

Eggermont updated on meeting with GFL with co-mingling of trash and recyclables. He mentioned they will be pulling out of smaller regions of service and not service those areas to allow them to provide better service to other areas. Pratt mentioned working on a recycling ordinance.

- RRA Sponsorship support

Eggermont mentioned he participated in collaborative initiative to support a grant application to fund RRA relocation site. He mentioned they will be working with the City of Ann Arbor and other municipalities to help in the funding. Eggermont will provided more details in the proposed Counties support for this initiative in next month's packet. There were discussions on possible site locations.

- WWRA Grant Educational/Outreach grant

Eggermont mentioned support to WWRA as they are applying for a Grant to for educational and outreach to deter recycling contamination. The grant would provide tagging and staff to help reduce contamination and provide educational materials.

- WRRMA- City of AA membership

Eggermont updated they are continuing to work through having the City of Ann Arbor join the WRRMA and we should see them become a member within the next few months.

7. Action Items

A) Memorandum of Claims –Vouchers #8262-8289

Motion by Schmidt, supported by McCririe to approve vouchers #8262-8289.

Schmidt ask question with regards to the Vouchers. He found it strange for the sampling jars. Eggermont replied we have not purchased these in the past, but due to the harmful algae blooms we have been conducting taking those samples when they occur. Smith asked about the publication fees and affidavits for the WWRA meetings. Dries responded that this is regulations by the State of Michigan and requires those Public Hearings to be published in printed papers as legal ads/notifications as required.

B) 2021 Special Assessments Resolutions

- *WWRA – Operations and Maintenance*
- *WWRA – Debt Retirement*
- *North Lake Improvement Project*
- *Whitmore Lake Improvement Project*
- *Pleasant Lake Improvement Project*
- *Chain of Lakes Improvement Project*

Motion by Pratt, supported by Schmidt to approve 2021 Special Assessment Resolutions with deduction of \$3.50 from total due to parcel combination for Whitmore Lake Improvement Project. Noted to also remove current filled motion and support from North Lake Resolution. Roll call Vote: Motion Carried

C) Resolution Approving Solid Waste Sponsorship Application

Motion by Smith, supported by Dries to approve Resolution to Approve Solid Waste Sponsorship Application to Recycle Ann Arbor. Roll call Vote: Motion Carried

8. Financial Reports

Received and Filed monthly financial reports.

9. Other Business

10. Public Comment- General/Un-related to Current Meeting Agenda Items

Public Commentary- (3 Minutes per Speaker)**

No Public in attendance

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

James Dries, Chair via remotely

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