

**THE WATER BUREAU
REGULAR MEETING**
555 Main Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06103
Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Present: Commissioners Andrew Adil, Daniel A. Camilliere, Kathleen Kowalyshyn, Domenic Pane, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin Taylor (6)

Absent: Commissioners Mary Ann Charron, Georgiana Holloway, Byron Lester and Pasquale J. Salemi, Christopher Syrek and District Chairman DiBella; Special Representative Michael Carrier (7)

Also

Present: Commissioner Allen Hoffman
Commissioner Donald Currey
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
R. Bartley Halloran, District Counsel
John Zinzarella, Chief Financial Officer
Christopher Stone, Assistant District Counsel
Carl Nasto, Assistant District Counsel
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Sue Negrelli, Director of Engineering
Tom Tyler, Director of Facilities
Christopher Levesque, Director of Operations
Michael Curley, Manager of Technical Services
Kerry E. Martin, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Cynthia A. Nadolny, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Curtis called the meeting to order at 4:07 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Camilliere and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of April 3, 2017 were approved.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Commissioner Pane nominated Commissioner Sweezy to be Chairman of the Water Bureau. Commissioner Taylor moved that nominations be closed. Commissioner Sweezy was elected Chairman of the Water Bureau by unanimous vote of those present.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Commissioner Kowalyshyn nominated Commissioner Pane to be Vice-Chairman of the Water Bureau. Commissioner Taylor moved that nominations be closed. Commissioner Pane was elected Vice-Chairman of the Water Bureau by unanimous vote of those present.

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE WATER UTILITY COORDINATING COMMITTEE
EXCLUSIVE SERVICE AREA STATEMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

To: Water Bureau for consideration on May 17, 2017

Staff seeks approval from the Water Bureau to authorize the Chief Executive Officer or District Counsel to execute the attached Statement of Confirmation of Exclusive Service Area Boundaries for the Central Connecticut Water Supply Management Area

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that the Water Bureau recommend to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Chief Executive Officer or District Counsel are hereby authorized to execute the attached Statement of Confirmation of Exclusive Service Area Boundaries for the Central Connecticut Water Supply Management Area on behalf of the District.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott W. Jellison
Chief Executive Officer



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STATEMENT OF CONFIRMATION OF EXCLUSIVE SERVICE AREA BOUNDARIES CENTRAL CONNECTICUT PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT AREA

Whereas, in accordance with Section 25-33h of the Connecticut General Statutes, each potential Exclusive Service Area (ESA) holder in the Central Connecticut Public Water Supply Management Area (PWSMA) is granted the right to request, through a declaration process, its future service area; and

Whereas, the Central Connecticut Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC) has formally requested such ESA declarations from potential providers and has received such declarations from interested parties within the Central PWSMA; and

Whereas, the Central Connecticut WUCC has reviewed the declared ESA boundaries and confirms that all conflicts between potential ESA holders have been resolved through a process developed by the WUCC; and

Whereas, the Central Connecticut WUCC will make recommendations to the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) with regard to ESA awards;

Therefore, the undersigned accepts responsibility for the ESA as recommended by the Central Connecticut WUCC and will abide by the following provisions:

1. **Service Area Boundaries:** The undersigned acknowledge that the attached map(s) as identified below as presented on Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping accurately identifies the undersigned ESA holder's ESA as accepted by the Central Connecticut WUCC on or prior to (DATE). Copies of the approved maps and Statements of Confirmation will be kept on file at the Connecticut DPH offices and will be available for public review. Unofficial copies will be available electronically online on the Central WUCC website hosted by Connecticut DPH.
2. **Rights and Responsibilities:** The undersigned acknowledges its right and responsibility for providing adequate service as requested by consumers and under terms otherwise provided by statute, regulation and ordinance with their ESA boundaries with a reasonable timeframe, as specified by the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies 25-33h-1(k)(2). Such rights and responsibilities are detailed in the ESA Document prepared by the Central WUCC. The undersigned acknowledges that it will adhere to any applicable changes to the statutes and regulations which may occur from time to time.
3. **Boundary Adjustments:** If at some time in the future it is in the best interest of the undersigned to make adjustments to an ESA boundary, such adjustments must be made in accordance with the ESA Modification Procedures in the Central WUCC Work Plan and be approved by the Connecticut DPH. Such adjustments must be reconfirmed by completion of a new Statement of Confirmation of ESA Boundaries and updates to the associated mapping.

The undersigned ESA holder has executed this Statement of Confirmation as of (DATE).

On motion made by Commissioner Kowalyshyn and duly seconded, the report was received and the resolution adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

**WATER BUREAU
RESOLUTION PROHIBITING USE OF DRONES ON
MDC PROPERTIES AND RESERVOIRS**

To: Water Bureau

May 17, 2017

With the advent of advances in technology for unmanned aircraft systems (hereinafter “drones”) that have made the same available to the public through mass production at an affordable cost, the unauthorized use of drones on and over MDC properties and reservoirs has increased in recent months thereby subjecting such properties and reservoirs to security and pollution risks, and interfering with the authorized recreational use and enjoyment of these properties by the public. In an effort to eliminate these risks and prohibit such interference, the District desires to adopt a policy prohibiting the unauthorized use of drones on and over MDC properties and reservoirs.

At a meeting of the Water Bureau held on May 17, 2017, it was:

- Voted:** That the Water Bureau recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:
- Resolved:** That the unauthorized use of drones on and over MDC properties and reservoirs is expressly prohibited, and that any such prohibited use shall constitute an actionable trespass and nuisance subjecting the person conducting such use to the applicable penalties available at law for such actionable offenses; including but not limited to Connecticut General Statutes §25-43(c).
- Resolved:** That pursuant to Section 5-3 of the Compiled Charter of The Metropolitan District, the Water Bureau shall adopt regulations prohibiting the unauthorized use of drones on and over MDC properties and reservoirs consistent with the policy therefor set forth in the above resolved clause.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Commissioner Adil made a motion to amend the resolution to prohibit the “unauthorized” use of drones. The motion was duly seconded and approved by unanimous vote of those present.

On motion made by Commissioner Adil and duly seconded, the report was received and the resolution, as amended, adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

**REFERRAL OF REVISIONS OF WATER ORDINANCES
TO COMMITTEE ON MDC GOVERNMENT**

To: Water Bureau for consideration on May 17, 2017

Staff recommends the Water Bureau refer the revision of several sections of the District's Water Supply Ordinances to the Committee on MDC Government for review and consideration under the District's ordinance revision process. The proposed revisions are to the following sections:

- SEC. W2b UNPAID WATER BILL CONSTITUTES LIEN
- SEC. W4h INSTALLATION OF MAINS BY DEVELOPER'S METHOD
- SEC. W5g COMBINATION SERVICES NOT ALLOWED
- SEC. W6b CHARGES FOR MAINTENANCE
- SEC. W7o AIRCRAFT

In addition, staff recommends the creation of an ordinance to address the acquisition of private water systems within the District's Exclusive Service Area (ESA).

Be It Resolved: that the Water Bureau recommends and refers to the Committee on MDC Government the review and consideration of ordinance revisions to sections W2b, W4h, W5g, W6b and W7o of the District's Water Supply Ordinances.

Be It Further Resolved, the Water Bureau recommends and refers to the Committee on MDC Government the creation of a new ordinance to address the acquisition of private water systems within the District's Exclusive Service Area (ESA).

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott W. Jellison
Chief Executive Officer

On motion made by Commissioner Camilliere and duly seconded, the report was received and the resolution, as amended, adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 P.M.

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval