

**THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION**

555 Main Street  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103  
Wednesday, September 5, 2018

**Present:** Commissioners John Avedisian, Clifford Avery Buell, Luis Caban, Daniel Camilliere, Donald M. Currey, William A. DiBella, Timothy J. Fitzgerald, Peter Gardow, Denise Hall, James Healy, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, David Ionno, Kathleen J. Kowalyszyn, Gary LeBeau, Byron Lester, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, Whit Osgood, Domenic M. Pane, Bhupen Patel, Pasquale J. Salemi, Michael Solomonides, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin Taylor, and Richard W. Vicino (26)

**Absent:** Commissioners Andrew Adil, Mary Anne Charron, Matthew B. Galligan, Sandra Johnson, Michael Torres and New Britain Special Representative Michael Carrier (6)

**Also**

**Present:** Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer  
John M. Zinzarella, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Business Services  
R. Bartley Halloran, District Counsel  
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk  
Christopher Levesque, Director of Operations  
Sue Negrelli, Director of Engineering  
Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Technology  
Kelly Shane, Director of Procurement  
Tom Tyler, Director of Facilities  
Robert Zaik, Director of Human Resources  
Nick Salemi, Special Services Administrator  
Julie McLaughlin, Special Services Administrator  
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer  
Kerry E. Martin, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer  
Victoria S. Escoriza, Executive Assistant  
Joe Laliberte, CDM Smith  
David Silverstone, Consumer Advocate

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman DiBella at 6:07 PM

**ROLL CALL AND QUORUM**

The District Clerk called the roll and informed Chairman DiBella that a quorum of the Commission was present, and the meeting was declared a legal meeting of the District Board of The Metropolitan District of Hartford County, Connecticut.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**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 August 6, 2018 were approved.***

***Commissioner Caban abstained.***

**REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Scott Jellison delivered the District Chief Executive Officers report.

Julie McLaughlin, Special Services Administrator, gave a presentation regarding the water bill layout and design.

***Commissioner Currey exited the meeting at 6:27 PM***

**INTEGRATED PLAN TECHNICAL APPROACH**

Joe Laliberte of CDM Smith gave a presentation on the Integrated Plan Technical Approach.

***Without object, Chairman DiBella requested to move Agenda Item #12, "Opportunity for General Public Comments" prior to Agenda Item #11, "Discharge of Wastewater from the Former Hartford Landfill Into the District's Sanitary Sewer".***

**OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Judy Allen from West Hartford spoke regarding potential ways to save money.

**DISCHARGE OF WASTEWATER FROM THE FORMER HARTFORD LANDFILL  
INTO THE DISTRICT'S SANITARY SEWER****EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:28 P.M., Chairman DiBella requested an executive session to discuss pending litigation.

***On motion made by Commissioner Caban and duly seconded, the District Board entered into executive session to discuss pending litigation.***

Those in attendance during the executive session:

Commissioners John Avedisian, Clifford Avery Buell, Luis Caban, Daniel Camilliere, Donald M. Currey, William A. DiBella, Timothy J. Fitzgerald, Peter Gardow, Denise Hall, James Healy, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, David Ionno, Kathleen J. Kowalyshyn, Gary LeBeau, Byron Lester, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, Whit Osgood, Domenic M. Pane, Bhupen Patel, Pasquale J. Salemi, Michael Solomonides, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin Taylor, and Richard W. Vicino Chief Executive Officer Scott W. Jellison; Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Business Services John M. Zinzarella; Director of Operations Christopher Levesque; Director of Facilities Tom Tyler; Attorneys R. Bartley Halloran, John S. Mirtle, Christopher R. Stone.

***Commissioner Kowalyshyn exited the meeting at 8:18 PM***

***Commissioner Ionno exited the meeting at 9:01 PM***

### **RECONVENE**

At 9:07 P.M., Chairman DiBella requested to come out of executive session and on motion made by Commissioner Sweezy and duly seconded, the District Board came out of executive session and reconvened. No formal action was taken.

To: District Board

September 5, 2018

From: R. Bartley Halloran, District Counsel

At the July 9, 2018 District Board meeting, the Board approved a resolution instructing District Counsel to inform the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") that the continued discharge of groundwater and leachate from the Hartford landfill into the District's sewer system would not be permitted after September 1, 2018 unless a long term abatement plan is developed and the outstanding charges are paid in full.

The District and DEEP continue to engage in a dialogue in an attempt to resolve the ongoing dispute. Since the July Board meeting, the District and DEEP representatives met on August 15, 2018 and an additional meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2018 between District Chairman DiBella and DEEP Commissioner Klee to attempt to resolve the dispute.

It is RECOMMENDED:

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that the District Board extend the September 1, 2018 deadline from its July resolution in order to allow District Chairman DiBella, ~~and~~ Commissioner Klee, and Secretary Barnes of OPM to meet on September 18, 2018 to continue settlement discussions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the District Chairman and District Counsel is instructed to report to the District Board at its October meeting on the outcome of the settlement discussions, the current status of the dispute, and potential legal remedies available to the District; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that a committee consisting of at least five (5) but no more than seven (7) Commissioners, appointed by the District Chairman, is hereby created as a subcommittee of the Board to receive recommendations and periodic updates from staff on issues relating to DEEP's discharge of groundwater and leachate from the Hartford landfill into the District's sewer system, and to report to the Board its findings and recommendations as necessary.

Respectively submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

***On motion made by Commissioner Sweezy and duly seconded, the resolution was amended as reflected above in redline.***

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

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Date of Approval