

THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION

125 Maxim Road

Hartford, Connecticut 06114

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Present: Commissioners Andrew Adil, John Avedisian, Richard Bush, Donald Currey, William A. DiBella, Peter Gardow, James Healy, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, Mary LaChance, Gary LeBeau, Byron Lester, Diane Lewis, Maureen Magnan, Jacqueline Mandyck, Dominic M. Pane, Bhupen Patel, Jon Petoskey, Pasquale J. Salemi, Michael Solomonides, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin Taylor, Calixto Torres, Richard W. Vicino and James Woulfe (25)

Absent: Commissioner Clifford Avery Buell, Daniel Camilliere, David Ionno, Michael Maniscalco, Alphonse Marotta and New Britain Special Representative Michael Carrier (6)

Also

Present: Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Stone, District Counsel
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Christopher Martin, Chief Financial Officer
David Silverstone, Independent Consumer Advocate

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by District Chairman DiBella at 5:30 PM

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM

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

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONER AND
ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE**

The District Clerk swore in Commissioner Diane Lewis of Hartford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Sweezy and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of July 13, 2020 were approved.

Commissioners Mandyck and Solomonides entered the meeting at 5:33 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public spoke.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

No report was provided.

REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Scott Jellison, Chief Executive Officer, gave his monthly update and discussed negotiations with Local 3713, the MDC's COVID-19 response, a potential daycare for MDC employees and the Colebrook River Lake Dam.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL

Christopher Stone, District Counsel, updated the District Board on Hartford Landfill settlement negotiations, the Linbrook case, Assistant District Counsel Steve Bonafonte's appointment to the EPA Financial Advisory Board, and an upcoming hearing for court approval of the Paetzold v. MDC settlement.

Without Objection, agenda items #8A "\$18 Million Supplemental Appropriation for Clean Water Project Contract #5", #8B "Approval For State of CT Financing CWF 683-D" and #8C "Appropriation for Pension Reimbursement" were consolidated and voted on together.

**BOARD OF FINANCE
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR CLEAN WATER PROJECT
CONTRACT #5**

To: District Board

September 2, 2020

From: Board of Finance

Bond Counsel prepared the following resolution for your approval.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held on September 2, 2020, it was:

VOTED: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution from Bond Counsel

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING A FURTHER \$18,800,000.00 FOR THE DISTRICT'S COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW, SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOW AND NITROGEN REMOVAL PROGRAMS TO DECREASE LEVELS OF POLLUTION IN THE CONNECTICUT RIVER AND LONG ISLAND SOUND TO COMPLY WITH A CONSENT DECREE OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT AND A CONSENT ORDER OF THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WHEREAS, the charter of the Metropolitan District of Hartford County, Connecticut (the "District"), and more particularly Section 14 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929, as amended by section 1 of number 332 of the special acts of 1931, number 127 of the special acts of 1947, section 2 of special act 79-102, special act 80-13, section 1 of special act 83-31, section 5 of special act 90-27, and section 2 of public act 15-114, now codified in Section 3-11 of the District's Compiled Charter, (Section 14, as amended, being referred to as the "Referendum Requirement"), provides as follows:

(a) Appropriations to be financed by the issuance of bonds, notes or other obligations of the district may be made at any time upon approval of the district board and recommendation of the board of finance in accordance with section 20 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929.

(b) (1) Any appropriation in excess of the amount set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection for any single item of capital expense not regularly recurring, including, but not limited to, a capital purpose, a public improvement or an extraordinary expenditure which may properly be financed long-term rather than from current revenues, notwithstanding that such appropriation is included in the budget to be met from current revenues, shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire district board and by a majority of the electors of the district at a referendum of the district called by the district board in accordance with the requirements of section 5 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929, as amended by special act 77-54; provided an appropriation for any reason involving not more than twice the amount set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection in any one year for the purpose of meeting a public emergency threatening the lives, health or property of citizens of the district may be made upon approval by a two-thirds vote of the entire district board without submission to the electors of the district; provided further, appropriations may be made in any amount without submission to the electors of the district for any public improvement all or a portion of which is to be paid for by assessments of benefits or from funds established to pay for waste or water facilities pursuant to section 13 of number 511 of the special acts of 1929, as

amended by number 366 of the special acts of 1949, special act 77-54 and special act 83-31; and provided further, submission to the electors of the district shall only be required with respect to such portion, if any, of any appropriation approved by the district board on and after October 1, 2015, as exceeds the amount set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection. The district board may determine, in the case of appropriations for water, sewer and utility line extensions and improvements, or the installation or replacement of service meters, the definition of what shall constitute a single item of capital expense for purposes of compliance with the referendum requirement of this section. Such determination may be contained in the capital budget or a resolution making such appropriation or authorizing the issuance of bonds, notes or obligations of the district and any such determination shall be final and conclusive.

(2) On and after October 1, 2015, the threshold amount for purposes of subdivision

(1) of this subsection shall be twenty million dollars as adjusted annually thereafter on October first by a percentage equal to the increase, if any, in the consumer price index for urban consumers, as most recently determined by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics for the most recent twelve-month period available, provided for any appropriation adopted by the district board on and after October 1, 2015, the aggregate amount of federal and state grants available, committed to be made available or expected to be made available for the appropriation at issue, each as determined by the district board whose determination shall be conclusive, shall be deducted from the amount of the appropriation in determining whether such threshold is met.

WHEREAS, for purposes of this resolution, the amount referred to in section (b) (1) of the Referendum Requirement is hereinafter referred to as the Threshold Amount, and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted on December 16, 2019 the District Board found and determined that the Threshold Amount for purposes of the Referendum Requirement on October 1, 2019, and as in effect on the date of this resolution, was \$21,583,833.70; and WHEREAS, the District has by previous resolutions approved appropriations authorized expenditures aggregating \$1.74 Billion for any and all projects necessary or desirable in connection with the planning, design, acquisition, construction and development of a combined sewer overflow program, a sanitary sewer overflow program and a nitrogen removal program of the District, in order to comply with a consent decree issued by the United States District Court, District of Connecticut, and entered into by and between the District, the United States Department Of Justice, the U. S. Attorney's Office, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Connecticut Attorney General (the "Consent Decree"), and a consent order to be issued by the State of Connecticut Department

of Environmental Protection, now the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") and to be executed by the District and the Commissioner of DEEP (the "Consent Order" and, together with the Consent Decree, the "Government Orders") (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Chairman and the Chief of Program Management or the Treasurer in the name of and on behalf of the District applied for federal and state loans and/or grants-in-aid for the Project under Section 22a-478 et seq. of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "Clean Water Fund Program"), and in particular, the portion of the Project involving the construction of the South Hartford Tunnel Contract 5; Arlington, New Britain and Newington conduits; construction of inlet control gate chambers (the "South Hartford Tunnel Contract 5") and the District has executed a Project Loan and Project Grant Agreement, dated July 27, 2020 (the "Agreement"), with the State of Connecticut (CWF No. 729-C) involving a total project cost of \$47,359,471.10, of which \$18,808,514.75 would be funded by state grants under the Clean Water Fund Program (subject to the terms and conditions of such Agreement), and the balance by funds of the District and loans from the Clean Water Fund Program;

WHEREAS, the District has determined to appropriate a further \$18,800,000.00 of capital expenditures for the Project, specifically to the South Hartford Tunnel Contract 5, and to declare its determination that such capital expenditures are expected to be funded entirely by federal or state grants under the Clean Water Fund Program under the Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The additional sum of \$18,800,000.00 is hereby appropriated for the Project. The Project is a single item of capital expense, not regularly recurring, which may be financed on a long-term basis. For the avoidance of doubt, the appropriation hereby made shall be in addition to any prior appropriation for the Project. The appropriation hereby made shall be allocated specifically to the South Hartford Tunnel Contract 5, and in particular to those costs associated with the South Hartford Tunnel Contract 5 which are paid for by state grants under the Agreement.

Section 2. Based on the facts heretofore cited and other evidence presented to the District Board, the District Board FINDS and DETERMINES, that the appropriation made in Section 1 will be paid for by funds available, committed to be made available or expected to be committed and made available by federal and state grants; and further, FINDS and DETERMINES, that the appropriation made in Section 1 will not be in excess of the Threshold Amount, and therefore the appropriation made in Section is valid and effective without the requirement that the appropriation be submitted to the electors of the District at a referendum held for such purpose as provided in the Referendum Requirement.

Section 3. The applications by the Chairman and the Chief of Program Management or the Treasurer in the name and on behalf of the District for any and all federal and state loans and/or grants-in-aid to meet any portion of the costs of the

Project determined by DEEP to be eligible for funding under Section 22a-478 et seq. of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "Clean Water Fund Program"), and in particular the South Hartford Tunnel Contract 5, and the execution and delivery of the Agreement providing for expenditures authorized hereby to be paid for by grants under the Agreement, combined with expenditures and borrowings authorized by other appropriations for the Project, be and they hereby are approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. The Treasurer is authorized and directed to charge expenditures for the South Hartford Tunnel Contract 5 reimbursed by the state under the Agreement against the appropriation made hereby, and to charge no other expenditures against this appropriation.

Section 5. In the absence of the appointment of a Treasurer, the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to act as Treasurer for all purposes of this resolution and the Manager of Treasury is authorized to act as Deputy Treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

**BOARD OF FINANCE
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING
CWF NO. 683-D**

To: District Board

September 2, 2020

From: Board of Finance

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and/or Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut for CWF No. 683-D having a principal amount of \$730,605.50 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan and grant will fund design services for the five Combined Sewer Overflow regulators and associated connecting combined sewers. CSO Elimination Combined Sewer Overflow regulators N-9 and N-10 redirect flows out of the North Branch of the Park River to regulator N-22. The Kane Brook Sewer Relocation and S8/S13 CSO Relocation and Elimination Project will develop design documents to relocate/eliminate CSOs S-8 and S-13 in accordance with the 2012 Long Term Control Plan.

The State of Connecticut, through the Clean Water Fund Program, will provide \$1,461,211.00 in state funding with approximately \$730,605.50 in grants and \$730,605.50 in low interest loans at 2.00% to fund the expenses associated with this agreement.

Bond Counsel prepared the following resolution for your approval.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance on September 2, 2020, it was:

VOTED: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution from Bond Counsel

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver the Project Loan and Project Grant Agreement CWF No. 683-D to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (the "Agreement") and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations for CWF No. 683-D in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$730,605.50, to fund design services for five Combined Sewer Overflow regulators and associated connecting combined sewers. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in the Agreement, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum, shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement and, to the extent not paid prior to maturity from The Metropolitan District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in the Agreement. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Section 2. The Project Loan Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature no later than twenty years from the Scheduled Completion Date, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum and shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

**BOARD OF FINANCE
APPROPRIATION FOR PENSION REIMBURSEMENT**

To: District Board

September 2, 2020

From: Board of Finance

By resolution of the District Board considered at its meeting of July 14, 2014, and upon recommendation of the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee and the Water Bureau, the MDC approved an investment contribution of approximately 570 acres of MDC-owned property in Glastonbury (Pension Land) to the Trust of the Retirement Plan for Employees of the Metropolitan District (Plan). The purpose of the proposed transfer was to offset, in whole or in part, the MDC's Annual Required Contribution (ARC) (now ADC, or Actuarially Determined Contribution) for Fiscal Year 2015. The transfer of the Pension Land from the MDC to the Plan was completed on December 14, 2014. In order to facilitate the transfer of the Pension Land into the Plan, a limited liability company, Pension Fund Land LLC (PFL LLC), was created to hold the Pension Land.

As part of the transfer agreement controlling the transfer of the Pension Land into the Plan, PFL LLC was authorized to make commercially reasonable efforts to develop the Pension Land or prepare it for development. PFL LLC in fact made such efforts, and in doing so, demonstrated that an increased value of the land as developable parcels rather than solely open space or watershed land was appropriate. Under the transfer agreement, the District was obligated to either pay such costs directly or reimburse PFL LLC, i.e. the Plan.

On October 7, 2019 the PPI Committee approved a purchase and sale agreement with the Town of Glastonbury for approximately 553 acres of the Pension Land. The closing for the property sale occurred on January 16, 2020.

At this time, it is necessary for the District to reimburse the Plan for development costs incurred in furtherance of the sale of the Pension Land. At the July 20, 2020 Board of Finance meeting, the District's actuary, Becky Sielman of Milliman, briefed the board on two alternatives to effect the reimbursement of the underlying \$1,384,488.61 in development costs, plus interest calculated through June 30, 2020. The first method used a fixed, compounded interest rate of 3% per year, which would bring total reimbursement to \$1,563,105. The second method used the actual annual returns of the Plan's assets for 2015 to 2019 and an estimated return for 2020 year to date of -3.1% provided by the District's pension investment advisor Dahab Associates Inc. totaling \$1,780,426.

At the August 26, 2020 meeting of the Personnel, Pension & Insurance Committee, as Trustee of the Plan, the PPI Committee voted to determine the appropriate interest rate to recommend to the District Board to be applied to the reimbursable development expenses to the Plan. At that meeting, the second method described above was updated as of August 21, 2020 for a total reimbursement of \$2,010,763.05.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held on September 2, 2020, it was:

VOTED: That based upon action by the Personnel, Pension & Insurance Committee at its August 26, 2020 meeting determining an acceptable interest rate to be applied to reimbursable development costs to the Pension Plan, the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the District Board hereby appropriates \$2,010,763.05 from the General Fund to reimburse the District's pension plan for development costs related to the Pension Land.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Hoffman and duly seconded, the reports for agenda items #8A "\$18 Million Supplemental Appropriation For Clean Water Project Contract #5", #8B "Approval For State of CT Financing CWF 683-D" and #8C "Appropriation for Pension Reimbursement" were received and resolutions adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Commissioner Healy exited the meeting at 6:34 PM.

**PERSONNEL, PENSION AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
APPROVAL OF OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) TRUST
INVESTMENT POLICY & GUIDELINES**

To: District Board

September 2, 2020

From: Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

In November 2019, the Board of Finance recommended to the District Board commencing a ten (10) year prefunding phase-in of the District's OPEB Trust starting in the 2020 budget. In July 2020, the Personnel, Pension & Insurance Committee

and District Board authorized the Chief Executive Officer to amend the existing contract with Dahab Associates Inc. as the pension investment advisor to include investment consulting services for the District's OPEB Trust. Dahab Associates Inc. drafted the enclosed OPEB Trust Investment Policy & Guidelines and recommends adoption of said policy by the District.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that it be

VOTED: That the Personnel, Pension & Insurance Committee recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the District Board hereby approves the attached Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Investment Policy & Guidelines and authorizes staff to implement and administer said Policy.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve.

Without objection, Chairman DiBella tabled the agenda item indefinitely, until further consideration by the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee.

**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS
TO COMMITTEES**

To: District Board

From: Committee on Organization

September 2, 2020

At a meeting of the Committee on Organization held on September 2, 2020, it was:

Voted: That the Committee on Organization recommend to the District Board the appointment of the following Commissioners to the following Committees:

Bureau of Public Works

Water Bureau

James Woulfe
Richard Bush
Calixto Torres

Jon Petosky
Diane Lewis

Personnel, Pension & Insurance

John Avedisian

Audit

Diane Lewis

Strategic Planning Committee

James Woulfe
Richard Bush
Calixto Torres
Dominic Pane
Jon Petosky

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

**ACCEPTANCE OF BID RECEIVED FOR SALE OF
348 TOLLAND STREET EAST HARTFORD**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:46 PM, Chairman DiBella requested an executive session to discuss the appointment of District Counsel.

On a motion made by Commissioner Sweezy and duly seconded, the District Board entered into executive session to discuss the appointment of District Counsel.

Those in attendance during the executive session:

Commissioners Andrew Adil, John Avedisian, Donald Currey, William A. DiBella, Peter Gardow, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, Mary LaChance, Gary LeBeau, Byron Lester, Diane Lewis, Maureen Magnan, Jacqueline Mandyck, Dominic M. Pane, Bhupen Patel, Jon Petosky, Pasquale J. Salemi, Michael Solomonides, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin Taylor, Calixto Torres, Richard W. Vicino and James Woulfe; Chief

Executive Officer Scott Jellison, Attorneys Christopher Stone and John Mirtle, Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Shane, Chief Operating Officer Christopher Levesque and Chief Financial Officer Christopher Martin.

RECONVENE

At 7:40 PM, Chairman DiBella requested to come out of executive session and on motion made by Commissioner Salemi and duly seconded, the District Board came out of executive session and reconvened.

ACCEPTANCE OF BID RECEIVED FOR SALE OF 348 TOLLAND STREET EAST HARTFORD

To: District Board

September 2, 2020

The Metropolitan District ("District") is the owner of real property located at 348 Tolland Street in East Hartford ("Property"). The District obtained ownership of the property in 1941 when the Town of East Hartford ("Town") joined the District as a member town. Until recently, the Property had been leased to the Town for its use by the fire department. The Town determined that it no longer had use for the Property and vacated the premise. Due to the known use of the Property, in 2014 the District performed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment which identified potential contamination at the Property. Since that time, the Property has been vacant and the District has determined that it has no practical use for the Property, and the Board authorized the sale of the Property. The Town of East Hartford has no interest in acquiring the Property.

On May 21, 2020 the District issued an Invitation to Bid (#2020B-17) for the sale of the Property. The deadline to submit bids was July 15, 2020 and the District received one (1) bid. Under the terms of ITB #2020B-17, the District and the successful bidder entered into a purchase and sale agreement with final approval of the bid amount subject to the District Board's approval.

It is hereby recommended that the following resolution be approved:

RESOLVED: That the District hereby accepts the bid price submitted by Environmental Services, Inc. in the amount of \$10,001.00 in response to Invitation to Bid #2020B-17 for the purchase of 348 Tolland Street in East Hartford.

FURTHER

RESOLVED: That the District's Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized to enter into and execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as the CEO and the District Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the District in order to effect the above sale;

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

PENDING LITIGATION – MDC V ZINZARELLA

Commissioner Sweezy moved to remove the attorney representing the MDC in the overpayment portion of MDC v Zinzarella from the case and to have the case handled by in-house legal staff. The motion passed by roll call vote.

The results of the roll call:

Yeas : Commissioners John Avedisian, Donald Currey, William A. DiBella, Peter Gardow, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, Gary LeBeau, Byron Lester, Dominic Pane, Bhupen Patel, Jon Petoskey, and Raymond Sweezy. (12)

Nays: Commissioners Jacqueline Mandyck, Pasquale J. Salemi, Alvin Taylor, Calixto Torres, Richard W. Vicino and James Woulfe (6)

Abstentions: Commissioner Diane Lewis (1)

Absent &

Not Voting: Commissioners Andrew Adil, Clifford Avery Buell, Richard Bush, Daniel A. Camilliere, James Healy, David Ionno, Mary LaChance, Maureen Magnan, Michael Maniscalco, Alphonse Marotta, Michael Solomonides, and Special Rep. Michael Carrier (12)

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ray Jarema, Manager of the Berlin Water Control Department, submitted the following written comments:

TO: MDC Board Members

My name is Ray Jarema, current Manager of the Berlin Water Control Department

Berlin has consistently and routinely paid the MDC since the mid 1960's for various services including the privilege of being able to purchase 0.5 million gallons per day of potable water, if needed. Without fail we have paid MDC on time. MDC enjoys our services as well, but has not reciprocated in payments for those services, and has enjoyed "unjust enrichment" at our expense.

According to the Mattabassett District, for 2019, 175.42 million gallons of sewage was pumped through our Deming Road Pump Station. Our data indicates that 80% of this flow is attributed to the MDC (from Newington and Rocky Hill). There are, of course, significant expenses associated with operating the pump station.

I have detailed the issues in correspondence to Mr. Scott Jellison in July 2019 and to Mr. Christopher Levesque in October 2019. A follow-up letter this year (in May 2020) has gone unaddressed to date. The Town requires fair compensation for the services provided. We should recognize that if Berlin was to abruptly curtail our services to the MDC, your cost could possibly be twenty times greater than the compensation we are seeking so while the outstanding balance is a significant sum, the services provided were likewise significant.

I welcome an opportunity to discuss details of the services Berlin provides and the amicable resolution of the issues.

Respectfully,

Ray Jarema



Without objection, Chairman DiBella moved to refer the Berlin Water Control Department issue to the Bureau of Public Works and the Water Bureau.

COMMISSIONER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Gardow commented on his visit to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection event and praised the MDC staff on hand.

Commissioner Sweezy commented on the budget process and suggested scheduling meetings early in the process.

Commissioner Avedisian asked about the volume of sales to Niagara and inquired about the reservoir capacity.

Commissioner Pane requested that future District Board meetings be held at the MDC Headquarters rather than MDC Training Center due to the cost of Training Center meetings.

Commissioner Currey requested that before the next Personnel, Pension and Insurance meeting, documents be provided for comparisons of pension plan policy and the OPEB plan policy. He also requested to be provided with Member Town asset allocations for their OPEB policies.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval