CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman DiBella at 5:36 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.

Commissioner Holloway entered the meeting at 5:38PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

Judy Allen of 25 Fowler Drive, West Hartford, spoke regarding the April 14, 2016 District Board meeting minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Lester and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of April 14, 2016 were approved.

Commissioner Caban, Charron and Kowalyshyn abstained.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

William A. DiBella, District Chairman delivered no report.

REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Scott Jellison, Chief Executive Officer presented the monthly CEO Report

Commissioner Charron left the meeting at 6:32PM

Without objection, Agenda Items 8A “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7035”, 8B “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7042”, 8C “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7043”, 8D “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7044”, 8E “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7045”, 8F “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7046”, and 8G “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7047” were consolidated and considered together.

BOARD OF FINANCE
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 2016-7035

To: District Board
From: Board of Finance

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut having a principal amount of $2,315,019.00 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan and grant will fund site preparation and associated piping and valves for construction of the replacement of a water main and appurtenances on and in the vicinity of Farmington Avenue, Woodland Street and Dennison Street in Hartford.

The State of Connecticut, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, will provide $2,516,325.00 in state funding with approximately $201,306.00 in grants and $2,315,019.00 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 held on May 2, 2016, 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 and the District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in the aggregate amount not to exceed $2,315,019.00. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, 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 Project Loan and Subsidy Agreement DWSRF No. 2016-7035 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (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
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING
DWSRF NO. 2016-7042

To: District Board

From: Board of Finance May 2, 2016

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut having a principal amount of $825,335.44 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan will fund the replacement of a water main and appurtenances on and in the vicinity of Jerome Avenue and Pheasant Lane in Bloomfield.

The State of Connecticut, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, will provide $825,335.44 in state funding in the form of 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 held on May 2, 2016, 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 and the District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in the aggregate amount not to exceed $825,335.44. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, 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 Project Loan Agreement DWSRF No. 2016-7042 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (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
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING
DWSRF NO. 2016-7043

To: District Board

From: Board of Finance

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut having a principal amount of $1,415,005.49 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan and grant will fund the replacement of a water main and appurtenances on and in the vicinity of Center Street and Fairmont Street in Hartford.

The State of Connecticut, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, will provide $1,538,049.45 in state funding with approximately $123,043.96 in grants and $1,415,005.49 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 held on May 2, 2016, 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 and the District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in the aggregate amount not to exceed $1,415,005.49. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, 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 Project Loan and Subsidy Agreement DWSRF No. 2016-7043 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (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
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING
DWSRF NO. 2016-7044

To: District Board

From: Board of Finance                         May 2, 2016

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut having a principal amount of $3,067,134.04 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan and grant will fund the replacement of a transmission main(s) and appurtenances on and in the vicinity of Brookfield Street, Hamilton Street, Hillside Avenue and Park Terrace in Hartford.

The State of Connecticut, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, will provide $3,333,841.35 in state funding with approximately $266,707.31 in grants and $3,067,134.04 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 held on May 2, 2016, 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 and the District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in the aggregate amount not to exceed $3,067,134.04. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the
Scheduled Completion Date, 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 Project Loan and Subsidy Agreement DWSRF No. 2016-7044 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (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
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING
DWSRF NO. 2016-7045

To: District Board
From: Board of Finance May 2, 2016

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut having a principal amount of $2,486,095.50 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan will fund the replacement of various water mains and appurtenances on and in the vicinity of Byrd Road, Chamberlain Road, Somerset Street and a portion of the Silas Deane Highway in Wethersfield.

The State of Connecticut, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, will provide $2,486,095.50 in state funding in the form of 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 held on May 2, 2016, 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 and the District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in the aggregate amount not to exceed $2,486,095.50. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, 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 Project Loan Agreement DWSRF No. 2016-7045 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (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
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING
DWSRF NO. 2016-7046

To: District Board

From: Board of Finance     May 2, 2016

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut having a principal amount of $3,302,029.50 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan will fund the replacement of a water main(s) and appurtenances on and in the vicinity of Cottage Grove Road and Talcottview Drive in Bloomfield.

The State of Connecticut, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, will provide $3,302,029.50 in state funding in the form of 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 held on May 2, 2016, 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 and the District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in the aggregate amount not to exceed $3,302,029.50. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, 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 Project Loan Agreement DWSRF No. 2016-7046 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (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
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING
DWSRF NO. 2016-7047

To: District Board

From: Board of Finance May 2, 2016

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut having a principal amount of $3,208,392.71 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.
The low interest loan and grant will fund site preparation and associated piping and valves for construction of a 2.5 million gallon water storage basin at the West Hartford Water Treatment Facility.

The State of Connecticut, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, will provide $3,411,469.38 in state funding with approximately $203,076.67 in grants and $3,208,392.71 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 held on May 2, 2016, 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 and the District Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer are authorized to execute and deliver any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in the aggregate amount not to exceed $3,208,392.71. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, 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 Project Loan and Subsidy Agreement DWSRF No. 2016-7047 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (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

On motion made by Commissioner Salemi and duly seconded, the reports for resolutions 8A “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7035”, 8B “APPROVAL FOR
STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7042”, 8C “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7043”, 8D “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7044”, 8E “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7045”, 8F “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7046”, and 8G “APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT FINANCING DWSRF NO. 7047” were received and the resolutions adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

PERSONNEL, PENSION AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
IMPLEMENTATION OF LEARN & EARN PROGRAM

To: District Board

From: Personnel, Pension

May 2, 2016

District staff has been working to implement a program geared toward high school students to expose them to careers in the water and sewer industry. This program “MDC Learn and Earn” will be a 4 week paid program. Students will spend one week learning about careers pertaining to water including water treatment and distribution and one week learning about wastewater treatment. The remaining 2 weeks of the program they will spend visiting and working in District facilities. This program will be available to high school students in MDC member towns. A total of 32 students will be accepted into the program. Students will be exposed to all of the career fields that make up a water/sewer utility. They will receive presentation from MDC professionals and will participate in hands on activities during this training program.

This program will begin on July 11, 2016 and end on August 5, 2016. Students will be selected based on recommendations from the Town Board of Education or Superintendent of Schools. The number of students will be based on the ad valorem rate for each town. The rate of pay would be $9.60 per hour

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At a meeting of the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee held on May 2, 2016, it was:
VOTED: That the Personnel Pension and Insurance Committee recommend to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That District Staff is authorized to proceed with the implementation of the MDC Learn and Earn Program.

Respectfully Submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

Commissioner Currey opposed.

Agenda item 9B “Petition for Disability Retirement” was approved at the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee and does not require District Board action. Therefore, no action was taken.

PERSONNEL, PENSION AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
SETTLEMENT OF PROPOSED WORKER’S COMPENSATION CLAIM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:40 P.M., Chairman DiBella requested an executive session to discuss pending workers’ compensation claims.

On motion made by Commissioner Shay and duly seconded, the Personnel, Pension & Insurance Committee entered into executive session to discuss Agenda Item 9C “McCormack Workers Compensation and Labor Grievance Settlement” and Agenda Item 9D “Gonzalez Workers’ Compensation Settlement”.

Those in attendance during the executive session:


District Chairman William A. DiBella and Commissioner Donald M. Currey were not present during Executive Session.
RECONVENE

At 6:48 P.M., Chairman DiBella requested to come out of executive session and on motion made by Commissioner Adil and duly seconded, the Board came out of executive session and reconvened. No formal action was taken.

To: District Board  
From: Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section B2f of the By-Laws of the Metropolitan District, the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan District hereby authorizes District Counsel, or his designee, to execute any and all documents reasonably necessary to effect the settlement of any and all claims pertaining to workers’ compensation and labor grievances for William McCormack in the amount of $266,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Kowalyshyn and duly seconded, the report was received and resolution, as amended by the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee, adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

PERSONNEL, PENSION AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
SETTLEMENT OF PROPOSED WORKER’S COMPENSATION CLAIM

To: District Board  
From: Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section B2f of the By-Laws of The Metropolitan District, the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan District hereby authorizes District Counsel, or his designee, to execute any and all documents reasonably necessary to effect the settlement of any and all claims pertaining to workers’ compensation and labor grievances for Thomas Gonzalez in the amount of $68,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

PROPOSAL TO RENAME 231 BRAINARD ROAD IN HONOR OF JOHN J. ROSSI

To: District Board

From: General Policy & Planning Committee May 2, 2016

Resolved: That the District Board rename the “Greybar Building” at 231 Brainard Road, Hartford, in honor of former MDC Chairman John J. Rossi in commemoration of his many years of service to, and leadership of, The Metropolitan District.

Respectively submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

AUTHORIZATION FOR ACQUISITION AND TRANSFER OF VESSEL

To: District Board May 2, 2016

From: Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer

Riverfront Recapture, Inc. (“Riverfront”) owns a certain 1996 Cape Fear model vessel manufactured by McKee (“Vessel”). Riverfront is willing to convey its interest in the Vessel for no consideration to The Metropolitan District (“District”), which will then convey its interest in the Vessel as well as the District-owned motor and the trailer for the same for no consideration to the Town of Wethersfield (“Town”) so that the Town’s Harbormaster can use the Vessel in connection with the performance of his duties, including those under the Town’s Harbor Management Plan.

Be It Resolved: that pursuant to Section 2-12 of the District Charter, the above-reference acquisition of the Vessel from Riverfront and the subsequent conveyance of the Vessel and the motor and trailer for the same to the Town are hereby authorized for the purposes set forth above, upon the above terms and conditions, and such other terms and conditions as the Chief Executive Officer and the District Counsel deem appropriate and in the best interests of the District; and be it further
Resolved, that the Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized to enter into and execute bills of sale and any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the District Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the District in order to effect the above transactions; and be it further

Resolved, that no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Chief Executive Officer fail to execute the aforementioned bills of sale or other documents, or to take any of the other aforesaid actions; and be it further

Resolved, that all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and shall only be effective on and by means of, the Chief Executive Officer executing such bills of sale and other documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer and District Counsel.

Respectively submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval