

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

Al Waters, Cromwell resident, shared a document about using Oban to mask odor coming from the plant. Briefly talked about the serious side effects (COPD, asthma, lung problems, etc.) from using Oban and any chemicals used to mask the odors. He also had concerns about the meters on the north, east and west side that were down a few weeks ago. Mr. Waters wanted to know why the meters are not working properly. He is concerned about current and future health issues and requesting the District to research further.

MINUTES OF Monday, May 15, 2023

Roll Call of Members

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of The Mattabassett District was held on Monday, May 15, 2023 in the Administration Building. Chairman John Dunham called into the meeting remotely and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present. Present from the Town of Cromwell were Directors Doug Sienna, Bonnie Anderson and Joseph Corlis. Present from the Town of Berlin was Director Liam Mitchell. Present from the City of Middletown were Directors David Bauer, Gerry Daley and Joe Samolis. Present from the City of New Britain were Directors Rick Healey, Mary Marrocco, Tonilynn Collins and Don Naples. Also present were Arthur Simonian – Executive Director, Operations Manager – Ty Wagner, Maintenance Manager – Bill Adkins, District Engineer – Michelle Ryan and District Counsel – Edward T. Lynch Jr. The City of New Britain Director Daniel Salerno and Town of Berlin Director James Fallon were absent.

Approval of April 17, 2023 Minutes

MOTION: Mr. Sienna moved to approve the minutes of April 17, 2023.

Mrs. Anderson seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved with Mrs. Collins abstaining.

Treasurer's Report

MOTION: Mr. Sienna moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Mrs. Marrocco seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

Executive Director's Staff Actions:

- 1) Art to review cash flow analysis to address the concern of excess funds in the Operating Account that are not accruing any interest. Art will work with the Finance Committee to come up with a plan to transfer excess Operating Account funds into interest-bearing accounts such as the STIF account investments already in place.
- 2) Art to share a statement and article provided by Al Waters regarding his continued concern over the odor nuisance and the District's use of Oban.

Budget Statement

MOTION: Mr. Sienna moved to accept the Budget Statement as presented.

Mr. Corlis seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

Check Register – No Action

No Motion Required.

Staff Reports

MOTION: Mr. Sienna moved to accept the Staff Reports as presented.

Mrs. Collins seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

Engineering Committee

No Report.

Finance Committee

No Report.

Human Resources Committee

MOTION: Mr. Dailey moved to approve the Executive Director's fifth amendment contract extension for an annual salary of \$172,500 (6.1% increase) for July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Mr. Sienna seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved with Mr. Bauer abstaining.

MOTION: Mr. Daley moved to approve the May 9, 2023 Human Resources Committee Report.

Mr. Bauer seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

Property Management

No Report.

Public Relations Committee

MOTION: Mr. Samolis moved to approve the May 2, 2023 Public Relations Committee Report.

Mr. Bauer seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

Counsel Report

None.

New Business

None.

Communications

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Chairman John Dunham extended appreciation for all of Elaine Brousseau's work and dedication during the 14 years she was employed at the District.

Adjournment

MOTION: Mr. Bauer moved to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on **Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, 245 Main Street, Cromwell, CT.