



Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Meeting Minutes - Final Finance Committee

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Wednesday, June 10, 2015

11:00 AM

5th Floor Board Room, Water Board Building

Finance Committee Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chairperson Williams called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 2 - J. Bryan Williams and Michael Einheuser

Excused: 1 - Linda Forte

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Co-Chairperson Williams requested approval of the agenda.

A motion was made by Co-Chairperson Einheuser, seconded by Co-Chairperson Williams that the agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

approved

Aye: 2 - Co-Chairperson Williams and Co-Chairperson Einheuser

Excused: 1 - Co-Chairperson Forte

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Co-Chairperson Williams requested approval of the minutes of May 1, 2015 Finance Committee and GLWA Audit Committee Joint Meeting and May 28, 2015 Finance Special Meeting.

A motion was made by Co-Chairperson Einheuser, seconded by Co-Chairperson Williams that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

approved

Aye: 2 - Co-Chairperson Williams and Co-Chairperson Einheuser

Excused: 1 - Co-Chairperson Forte

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

6. OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Forte joined the meeting at 11:05 AM.

**A. Funding Request- GLWA/DWSD-R Planning and Implementation
(Spinoff Implementation)**

[15-1050](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorize **funding up to \$4,950,000.00 to support the creation of the Great Lakes Water Authority and the City of Detroit Retail System**, and also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Bateson

Attachments: [Funding Request - GLWA_DWSD-R Attachments for 6.10.2015](#)

A motion was made by Co-Chairperson Forte, seconded by Co-Chairperson Einheuser that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

recommended for approval

Aye: 2 - Co-Chairperson Forte and Co-Chairperson Einheuser

Abstain: 1 - Co-Chairperson Williams

B. Bondholder Consent and 2015 Refunding Update

Lee Dohner, First Southwest, gave a verbal update regarding bondholder consent and 2015 refunding.

7. NEW BUSINESS**A. Presentation of FY 2014 KPMG Audit Report**

Joe Kowalski, KPMG and team, gave a verbal presentation regarding the FY 2014 KMPG financial audit.

Kathy Smith-Roy, DWSD Contractor summarized the highlights of the audited financial statements for Fiscal Year June 30, 2014.

Bart Foster, The Foster Group, LLC provided an update of the FY 2014 debt service coverage.

B. Non-Contract Water Customer Charges

John Wheatley, DWSD Manager, gave a verbal presentation regarding the establishment of a public hearing for proposed water charges schedule for the City of Highland Park and the Genesee County Drain Commission for FY 2015/16.

[15-1055](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department **approves the scheduling of a Public Hearing on Proposed Water Charge Schedules for Fiscal Year 2015/16 for the City of Highland Park and the Genesee County Drain Commission on Wednesday June 24, 2015, at 1:15pm, in Board Room, 5th Floor, 735 Randolph, Detroit, Michigan**, and also authorizes the Director to take such other actions as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Bateson

Attachments: [Public Hearing Notice FY2016 HP and GCDCl 06-24-2015](#)

A motion was made by Co-Chairperson Forte, seconded by Co-Chairperson Einheuser that this Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by the following vote:

recommended for approval

Aye: 3 - Co-Chairperson Forte, Co-Chairperson Williams and Co-Chairperson Einheuser

C. Write-offs Analysis

Bart Foster, The Foster Group, LLC provided a preliminary DWSD equity analysis update.

8. REPORTS

A. CFO Report

Nicolette Bateson, CFO, reported that the oracle fusion for the standup of DWSD-R and GLWA and the implementation of the HR payroll system is in progress.

B. Financial Performance Report

Nicolette Bateson, CFO, reported that the financial performance report for FY 2015 would come before the committee at a future meeting.

C. Customer Service Report

Darryl A. Latimer, Chief Customer Service Officer, reported that the Department began its notification of shutoffs for delinquent accounts on May 11, 2015. He reported that assistance is available for customers through the Detroit Water Fund, THAW Program, Wayne Metro, and the Department of Human Services (DHS). He also reported that on May 18, 2015 the Department implemented the Interactive Voice Response system (IVR).

9. LOOK AHEAD SCHEDULE

Finance Committee meeting July 22, 2015 at noon.

A motion was made by Co-Chairperson Forte, seconded by Co-Chairperson Einheuser that this meeting date be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

approved

Aye: 3 - Co-Chairperson Forte, Co-Chairperson Williams and Co-Chairperson Einheuser

10. OTHER MATTERS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

Co-Chairperson Williams requested a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Co-Chairperson Forte, seconded by Co-Chairperson Einheuser that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

approved

Aye: 3 - Co-Chairperson Forte, Co-Chairperson Williams and Co-Chairperson Einheuser

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 P.M.