

SOUTHEASTERN OAKLAND COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting – May 12, 2010

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
SOUTHEASTERN OAKLAND COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Wednesday, May 12, 2010 – Huntington Woods Library

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m. by Mr. Harry Drinkwine, Chairman.

<u>Present</u>	<u>Votes</u>	<u>Municipality</u>
Bruce Jerome	2	Berkley
*Chris Wilson	1	Beverly Hills
Don Ketai	1	Bingham Farms
Paul O'Meara	4	Birmingham
Harry Drinkwine	1	Clawson
Claire Galed	1	Huntington Woods
*Jeff Mueller	1	Lathrup Village
Scott Pietrzak	1	Pleasant Ridge
Greg Rassel	8	Royal Oak
Gary Mekjian	15	Southfield
*Dick Holloway	<u>1</u>	Southfield Township
TOTAL:	36	

Absent

None

*Messrs. C. Wilson, representative from the Village of Beverly Hills (1 vote), R. N. Holloway, representative from Southfield Township (1 vote) and J. Mueller, representative from the City of Lathrup Village (1 vote), arrived at 8:35 a.m., 8:44 a.m. and 8:45 a.m., respectively.

Also Present

J. A. McKeen, General Manager
M. A. Czuprenski, Operations Director
K. Hyde, Executive Assistant
R. Davis, General Counsel

- 9524 -

Motion by Mr. P. T. O'Meara, supported by Mr. B. Jerome:

That the agenda be approved as submitted.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian (33 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: Wilson, Mueller, Holloway (3 votes)

Motion carried.

- 9525 -

Motion by Mrs. C. Galed, supported by Mr. B. Jerome:

That the April 14, 2010 Board Meeting minutes be approved as typed and circulated.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian (33 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: Wilson, Mueller, Holloway (3 votes)

Motion carried.

- 9526 -

Motion by Mrs. C. Galed, supported by Dr. D. Ketai:

That Warrant No. WA-697 in the amount of \$891,290.87 be approved and payments authorized.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian (33 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: Wilson, Mueller, Holloway (3 votes)

Motion carried.

- 9527 -

Motion by Mr. B. Jerome, supported by Mrs. C. Galed:

That the report requesting that each municipality, by resolution, appoint a representative and an alternate representative to serve on the Board of Trustees for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and forward a certified copy of the resolution to SOCWA be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian (33 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: Wilson, Mueller, Holloway (3 votes)

Motion carried.

- 9528 -

Motion by Dr. D. Ketai, supported by Mr. G. Mekjian:

WHEREAS, Public Act No. 43 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1963, provides that public hearings be held on proposed budgets of local units of government, and

WHEREAS, notice of such public hearings must be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation at least six days prior to such hearing, in compliance with the provisions of Public Act No. 43;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Hearing on the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority's Budget for the fiscal year 2010/11 be held on Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. at the Southfield Parks & Recreation Building, 26000 Evergreen, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Board be authorized to publish notice of this public hearing.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian (33 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: Wilson, Mueller, Holloway (3 votes)

Motion carried.

Messrs. C. Wilson, representative from the Village of Beverly Hills (1 vote), and R. N. Holloway, representative from Southfield Township (1 vote), arrived at 8:35 a.m. and 8:44 a.m., respectively.

- 9529 -

Motion by Dr. D. Ketai, supported by Mrs. C. Galed:

That the report on the 2010/11 budget be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway (35 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: Mueller (1 vote)

Motion carried.

Mr. J. Mueller, representative from the City of Lathrup Village (1 vote), arrived at 8:45 a.m.

- 9530 -

Motion by Mr. J. Mueller, supported by Mr. R. N. Holloway:

That the Quarterly Report – April 2010 be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9531 -

Motion by Mrs. C. Galed, supported by Mr. B. Jerome:

That the report on investments made by the Authority during the period January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010 be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9532 -

Motion by Mr. S. Pietrzak, supported by Mr. G. Rassel:

That the Quarterly Legal Report which sets forth the current and expected legal work issues in the next quarter be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9533 -

Motion by Mr. J. Mueller, supported by Mr. G. Mekjian:

That the report on the General Counsel evaluation be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9534 -

Motion by Mr. S. Pietrzak, supported by Mr. J. Mueller:

That the report on Standard & Poor's Bond Rating be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway,
Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9535 -

Motion by Mrs. C. Galed, supported by Mr. R. N. Holloway:

That the Board approve contracting with the MML for Workers' Compensation Insurance for the cost of \$10,373 for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway,
Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9536 -

Motion by Mr. S. Pietrzak, supported by Mr. D. Ketai:

That the report on DWSD Water Rates be received and filed.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway,
Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9537 -

Motion by Mr. S. Pietrzak, supported by Mr. G. Rassel:

That the meeting be recessed to permit the Boards of Trustees of SOCWA & SOCRRA to meet jointly to review the report regarding salary and benefit adjustments for the administrative staff for the fiscal year 2010/11.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9538 -

The meeting was recessed at 8:58 a.m. The joint meeting of the SOCWA and SOCRRA Boards was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

- 9539 -

The General Manager's evaluation was distributed to the Board.

- 9540 -

Motion by Mr. S. Pietrzak, supported by Mr. C. Wilson:

That the following recommendations from the Advisory Committee regarding salary and fringe benefits be approved by the Board:

1. Salary ranges be frozen.
2. No general salary increase.
3. Implement an employee contribution of 2.5% of salary for pension costs. Additional pension contributions should be reviewed in 2011.
4. No changes in health care insurance.
5. Eliminate Co-Op optical insurance plan.
6. The General Manager's contract be revised to include the 2.5% of salary pension contribution.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9541 -

Motion by Mr. J. Mueller, supported by Mr. P. T. O'Meara:

That the following recommendations from the Advisory Committee regarding banks be approved by the Board:

1. Flagstar Bank will continue to be used for the primary checking accounts. Amounts on deposit with Flagstar will be limited in order to receive 100% FDIC coverage.
2. Both Authorities will deposit up to \$500,000 each into the Michigan First Credit Union, which offers account insurance up to \$500,000 for each Authority.

3. Both Authorities will deposit up to \$250,000 each into PNC Bank. These accounts will be fully insured by the FDIC.
4. Comerica and Ambassador Capital Management will remain on the list of approved financial institutions.
5. Authority staff will identify additional financial institutions with deposit insurance coverage in order to minimize the amount of money deposited with Comerica. Board approval will be sought for other financial institutions before they are used by the Authorities.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

- 9542 -

Motion by Mr. S. Pietrzak, supported by Dr. D. Ketai:

That the joint and regular meetings be adjourned.

Yeas: Jerome, Ketai, O'Meara, Drinkwine, Galed, Pietrzak, Rassel, Mekjian, Wilson, Holloway, Mueller (36 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

The meetings were adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

APPROVED: _____
Chairman

Secretary