



**Regular Meeting of the  
Niagara Falls Water Board  
March 24, 2016 5:00 PM at  
Michael C. O’Laughlin Municipal Water Plant**

**1. Call to Order** *Chairman Ted Janese called meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.*

**1. Roll Call:**

Janese   P   Leffler   P   Kimble   A   Laible   P   Edwards   P  

**2. Letters and Communications**

**1. Public Comment– (All speakers must register with the Chairman prior to roll call and are limited to five minutes per person – total time for all speakers may not exceed one hour)**

*There were no public speakers*

**2. 2015 Draft Audit – EFPR Group (Toski)**

*State audit surplus shows on page 11.*

**3. Discussion of Items for Action**

**1. Routine Items**

**1. Approval of Minutes from February 25, 2016**

*Motion by Ms. Leffler and seconded by Mr. Laible to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards   Y   Kimble   A   Leffler   Y   Laible   Y   Janese   Y*

**2. Personnel Actions**

*Motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Ms. Leffler to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards   Y   Kimble   A   Leffler   Y   Laible   Y   Janese   Y*

**3. Bid Approvals**

*There were no bids to be approved.*

#### **4. Budget Transfers**

*Motion by Mr. Laible and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

### **2. From the Executive Director**

#### **1. Resolution – Annual Election of Officers**

*John Ottaviano announced that Chairman Ted Janese is stepping down and no longer wishes to serve on the Water Board as Chairman but would like to continue his service as a Board Member. He also thanked Mr. Janese for his service as Chairman for the past 5 years.*

*Mr. Laible thanked Mr. Janese for his service and told him he did a fantastic job.*

*John Ottaviano opened the floor for nominations and asked Board Members not to Nominate Ted Janese.*

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to nominate Ms. Gretchen Leffler for Chairwoman, Mr. Gary Laible for Vice Chairman, Mr. Larry Edwards for Treasurer and Mr. Paul Drof as Secretary. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the new Office Seats. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

**2. Resolution to Approve Three Pickup Truck Purchases**

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

**3. Resolution to Approve the Purchase of Security Cameras at the Water Treatment Plant**

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

**4. Resolution to Approve the Purchase of Exterior LED Light Fixtures at the Water Treatment Plant**

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

**5. Resolution to accept proposal for 2016 Rate Consultant / Consulting Engineer**

*Motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Laible to approve. Motion was carried 3-1-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_N\_\_*

**6. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Lawsuit – Kinney**

*Motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Laible to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

7. **Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Lawsuit –DeVantier**

*Motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Laible to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

8. **Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Lawsuit –Kindzia**

*Motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Laible to approve. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

9. **Resolution to accept final audit of 2015**

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Laible to table. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

**3 From the Chairman**

**1.**

*There is nothing from the chairman. Ms. Leffler thanked Ted Janese for his dedication and hard work. She is looking forward to working with him in the future.*

**4. Informational Items and Reports**

- 1. Bank Transfer Activity**
- 2. Cash Disbursements**
- 3. Schedule of Investments**
- 4. Capital Construction**
- 5. O&M Report**

**5. Unfinished Business**

**1. Resolution – Adjusting Hydrant Rental Billing**

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to remove Resolution from the table. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

*Motion by Mr. Laible and seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve. Motion was carried 3-1-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_N\_\_*

**6. New Business & Additional Items for Water Board Discussion**

**1. Personnel**

*There are no new or additional items*

**Executive Session –**

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to enter into an Executive Session at 5:55 p.m. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to end the Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*

**Adjournment of Meeting**

*Motion by Mr. Janese and seconded by Mr. Edwards to adjourn meeting at 6:06 p.m. Motion was carried 4-0.*

*Edwards \_\_Y\_\_ Kimble \_\_A\_\_ Leffler \_\_Y\_\_ Laible \_\_Y\_\_ Janese \_\_Y\_\_*