

## MINUTES

### Meeting of the **Niagara Falls Public Water Authority**

June 13, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.  
Michael C. O’Laughlin Municipal Water Plant  
5815 Buffalo Avenue, Niagara Falls, NY 14304

#### **1. Call to Order**

*Chairman Murgia called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.*

**Roll Call:** Sanquin Starks Absent Daniel Weiss Present Jason Murgia Present

#### **2. Public Speakers** (All speakers must register with Chairman prior to Roll Call and are limited to 3 minutes per person – total time for all speakers may not exceed one hour)

*There were no public speakers.*

#### **3. Items for Action from Secretary**

*Authority Secretary Sean Costello explained that ethics forms should be filed with Niagara County. Confidential Board Evaluation forms should be returned to him.*

##### A. Yearly Reorganization Meeting

##### a. Nomination of NFPWA Board Officers:

- i. Chair;
- ii. Vice Chair;
- iii. Treasurer (does not need to be Authority member)
- iv. Secretary (does not need to be Authority member)

*Motion by Mr. Weiss to nominate Mr. Murgia as Chairperson, seconded by Mr. Murgia.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*

*Motion by Mr. Murgia to nominate Mr. Weiss as Vice-Chair, seconded by Mr. Weiss.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*

*Motion by Mr. Murgia to nominate Mr. Weiss as Treasurer, seconded by Mr. Weiss.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*

*Motion by Mr. Murgia to nominate Mr. Costello as Secretary, seconded by Mr. Weiss.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*

**B. Approval of Minutes from June 14, 2018 Meeting**

*Motion by Mr. Weiss and seconded by Mr. Murgia to approve.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*

**C. RESOLUTION 2019-01 – Omnibus Resolution: Annual Adoption of Governance and Operational Policies and Statements**

**a. Packet of Supporting Documents**

- i. Authority By-Laws
- ii. Code of Ethics
- iii. Annual Evaluation Form
- iv. Financial Disclosure Form
- v. Draft Mission Statement and Measurement Form
- vi. Public Authorities Law Sections 2824, 2824-a, and 2825
- vii. 2018 Audit and Investment Report
- viii. 2017 Audit
- ix. 2016 Audit
- x. 2015 Audit
- xi. 2014 Audit
- xii. 2013 Audit
- xiii. 2012 Audit

*Mr. Murgia noted he met the day before the meeting regarding the items described in the Omnibus Resolution, which is an effort by Mr. Costello to bring the Authority into compliance with certain laws and rules.*

*Motion by Mr. Weiss and seconded by Mr. Murgia to approve.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*

- D. RESOLUTION 2019-02 – Authorizing the Issuance of the Authority’s Revenue Bonds and Notes and the Approval and Execution of Related Documents
- a. Packet of Supporting Documents
    - i. Governor’s Office Press Release
    - ii. Consent Order Listing Projects for \$27 million
    - iii. Letter from DASNY Regarding Grant Award
    - iv. NFWB Resolution 2019-05-010, Adopting Five Year Capital Plan
    - v. Capital Improvement Plan 2019-2023
    - vi. NFWB Resolution 2019-05-011, Requesting Authority Issue \$13.5 Million Bonds
    - vii. Page from Rate Consultant’s December 2018 Presentation

*Chairman Murgia noted that these funds, in the amount of \$13,500,000, are for the Water Board’s share of \$27,000,000 in capital improvements at the wastewater treatment plant that are required by the Water Board’s consent order. The other half will be grant funded.*

*He questioned the timeframe for the projects. Mr. Costello noted that it would be four years after construction starts before the sedimentation basin improvements are complete.*

*Motion by Mr. Weiss and seconded by Mr. Murgia to approve.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*

#### **4. Additional Items for Action**

*None.*

#### **5. Unfinished Business**

*None.*

#### **6. New Business & Additional Items**

*None.*

## **7. Adjournment of Meeting**

*Motion by Mr. Weiss and seconded by Mr. Murgia to adjourn at 5:14 p.m.*

*Starks – Absent. Murgia – Yes. Weiss – Yes.*

*Motion carried 2-0.*