

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE
ALLEGHEN COUNTY SANITARY AUTHORITY
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the office of the Authority, 3300 Preble Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Those participating were Board Members Dr. Shannah Tharp-Gilliam (remotely), Ms. Sylvia Wilson, Representative Emily Kinhead, Messrs. Corey O'Connor and Harry Readshaw. John Weinstein and Jack Shea were both Absent from the meeting. Also participating were Ms. Arletta Williams, Ms. Kimberly Kennedy, Ms. Julie Motley-Williams, Ms. Karen Fantoni, Ms. Suzanne Thomas, Ms. Michelle Buys, and Ms. Jeanne Clark Messrs. Michael Lichte, Douglas Jackson, Joseph Vallarian (Authority staff) and Max Junker (Babst Calland), and Mike Ryder (Hatch)

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

No Public Comment for this meeting.

Mr. Corey O'Connor stated there was an Executive Session held before the start of this meeting.

Ms. Karen Fantoni, Director of Finance, presented ALCOSAN's 2022 Capital and Operating Budget. Karen explained that the preparation for the five-month process of preparing the budget, was a cumulative effort, where every Director and Manager had input. The presentation included information regarding the 7% rate hike, increase to Clean Water Assistance Payments for fourth year in a row, improving coverage ratios and liquidity and meeting all requirement of the Trust Indenture.

Ms. Kimberly Kennedy, Director of Engineering and Construction, provided a status update on the 2022, Capital Spending project associated with the budget. Kimberly stated that of the \$207,000,000.00, that is anticipated to be utilized in the current year, there are 8 major projects that is expected to cost approximately, \$155,000,000.00, from the budget. The North End Plant Expansion and the East Headworks were awarded in 2020, and we are expecting a lot of work being completed both in 2022. With regards to the Environmental Facility and the Parking garage, it is anticipated that the parking garage will be completed in the Spring and the construction for the Environmental Facility will begin, with a cost of \$20,000,000.00. The CSO Bypass Disinfection design is being worked on and preparing for next year, with an anticipated cost of \$15,000,000.00. The Saw Mill Run Subaqueous is one of the 8 major projects factored into the 2022 Capital Budget for Regional. Lastly, the Tunnel Program Management and Ohio River Tunnel final design are two major components of the 2022 Capital Budget.

Ms. Karen Fantoni, Director of Finance, concluded the presentation with the rates information. Due to the recently adopted rate increase, each household will see an increase of \$35.60/quarter, \$2.97/month in 2022. Alcosan's credit rating was last graded to Aa3 from A1, on August 27, 2020. The S&P gave Alcosan an "A+", with a stable outlook and a strong credit rating.

Ms. Kimberly Kennedy, Director of Engineering and Construction, provided additional information on the Capital Budget. Kim stated we have spent approximately \$68,000,000.00, for the year due to construction. Since last year, this exact time, spending has increased by \$30,000,000.00 and that is in part to the advance planning of the plant expansion and the planning for outside of the fence.

Mr. Mike Ryder, Hatch, provided a report under the retained consultant contract, for 2021. Mr. Ryder referenced some major projects that Hatch was involved in, such as: design services for new access shafts near A40 and M 49; and deep tunnel interceptor with the relocation of the 015-diversion structure. Mr. Ryder stated that early next year, the Chartiers -Ohio junction Access Shaft upgrades will be out for Bid.

Report of actions by the Executive Director in approval of construction change orders less than \$30,000.00 and a cumulative total change order value to date of less than five percent of the original contract amount:

1. No. 1, under Contract 1728-E, "Return Activated Sludge (RAS) Pipe and Pump Replacement," from Wellington Power, for the amount of \$25,163.28. These costs are for an additional Power Distribution Center and associated electrical equipment to permit for the rehabilitation of two RAS pump stations simultaneously, as well as furnishing and installing brackets for wall mounted transformers at the four RAS pump stations required due to the size of the motor control centers available from the manufacturer. Some of this additional cost will be offset by a change order credit under 1728-G because of a means and methods decision made by the General Contractor. The original amount of the contract was \$3,683,000.00. The current value of the contract including this change order is \$3,708,163.28.

Upon motion Ms. Sylvia Wilson and seconded by Mr. Harry Readshaw, the Board approved the December Board minutes and invoices of \$20,100.00, processing during the period of November 11, 2021 to December 1, 2021.

Upon motion of Mr. Harry Readshaw and seconded by Ms. Sylvia Wilson, the Board awarded the following contract:

1. Contract No. 1751 "Emergency Sewer Televising Contract 2022," to Robinson Pipe Cleaning Company at the price of \$1,095,340.00.

Upon motion of Ms. Sylvia Wilson, and seconded by Mr. Harry Readshaw, the Board authorized the preparation of specifications and advertisement for bids for the following contracts:

1. Contract No. 1759, "Environmental Compliance Facility"
2. Contract No. 1760, "CSO Bypass and Disinfection"
3. Contract No. 1761, "Furnish and Deliver Screw Conveyor Components for Dewatering Building"

Upon motion of Mr. Harry Readshaw and seconded by Ms. Sylvia Wilson, approved the following change orders that exceed \$30,000.00 in value or whose cumulative total value with previously approved change orders is greater than five percent of the original contract amount:

1. No. 4, under Contract 1728-G, "Return Activated Sludge (RAS) Pipe and Pump Replacement, from Kokosing Construction, for the amount of \$97,000.00. These costs are associated with modifications to the roof repairs for the four RAS pump stations. The original amount of the contract was \$14,166,850.00. The current value of the contract including this change order is \$14,377,521.77.
2. No. 1, under Contract 1735-G, "ALCOSAN Parking Garage" from Mike Coates Construction, for the amount of \$102,732.94. These costs are to reconcile drilled pier unit price quantities from the bid form to match the actual quantities. The original amount of the contract was \$10,221,843.05. The current value of the contract including this change order is \$10,324,575.99.

Upon motion of Dr. Shannah Tharp-Gilliam and seconded by Ms. Sylvia Wilson, the Board approved the Grant Agreements for the Green Revitalization of Our Waterways (GROW) Program by extending the Term of the contract.

Upon motion of Mr. Harry Readshaw and seconded by Dr. Shannah Tharp-Gilliam, the Board approved the re-appointment of Lorraine Makatura to the 3 Rivers Wet Weather Board of Directors for a two-year term.

Upon motion of Ms. Sylvia Wilson and seconded by Mr. Harry Readshaw, the Board adopted Resolution 2021-12-1 consenting to the City of Pittsburgh's vacating a certain section of Wabash Street in the 20th Ward of Pittsburgh and authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an Agreement to Convey Easement under which property owner Lowe Street Associates LLC will convey a perpetual sewer line easement to ALCOSAN beneath all of the vacated road.

Upon motion of Ms. Sylvia Wilson and seconded by Dr. Shannah Tharp-Gilliam, the Board adopted Resolution 2021-12-2 adopting the updated Capacity Charge in the amount of \$8,670,158 per million gallons per day as supported by the Updated Calculation of Capacity Charge for New Services Areas July 2021 prepared by Hatch.

Upon motion of Mr. Harry Readshaw and seconded by Ms. Sylvia Wilson, the Board approved the Meeting dates for the calendar year 2022 and authorize advertisement of those dates in accordance with the Sunshine Law.

Upon motion of Mr. Harry Readshaw and seconded by Dr. Shannah Tharp-Gilliam, the Board adopted the 2021 Consulting Engineers Report and the 2022 Operating and Capital Budgets.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Corey O'Connor, brought everyone's attention to the fact that most attendees were wearing some form of Purple. Ms. Arletta Williams explained the reason for the color today is for our "Purple Shirt" campaign, or the "Shirt off of your back" celebration of life campaign. Ms. Williams also urged everyone to visit our website to find out what the campaign is really all about. ALCOSAN uses it for a fundraiser and this year "Living in Liberty" will be the recipient of all donations. The organization, "Living is Liberty" addresses Human Trafficking and more specifically sexual and sex workers.

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on January 27, 2022.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.