**JOHNSTOWN WATER BOARD**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**January 25, 2019**

**MEETING COMMENCED AT 3:30 p.m.**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board President Jeffers called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Barbara Koehler, Clerk of the Water Board

**ATTENDEES**

Scott Jeffers, President

Jason Hammer, Vice President

George DiMarco, Board Member

John Swierzowski, Board Member

Thomas Simek, Board Member

Bradley Hayner, City Council Liaison

Barbara Koehler, Clerk of the Board

**ABSENT**

Michael Poulin, Attorney

**PUBLIC SESSION**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

• Proposed Lead Service Line Replacement Program (LSLRP)

New York State’s Clean Water Infrastructure Act of 2017 amended the Public Health Law to require the Department of Health to institute a Lead Service Line Replacement Program (LSLRP) to provide municipalities with grant funds to facilitate the replacement of lead water service lines.

Board Vice President Hammer discussed the topic with the Water Board, noting the LSLRP received a $20 million allocation for the 2017 New York State Budget. He noted the municipalities awarded the grant will be allowed to bill the state for costs covered under the LSLRP, which includes engineering fees, legal fees, municipal administration fees and site/property restoration. Vice President Hammer suggested the Water Board read over the documentation presented (Exhibit A) and move forward.

All were in agreement that the topic will be researched and discussed further at a future meeting.

Board Member DiMarco noted the Water Department has been replacing lead pipes as they were found.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS**

Board Member DiMarco noted we need to make motions for the promotions, as that is what Treasurer Gifford will need.

• **MOTION** to promote Anthony Mowrey and Brenden Elmendorf to MEO (Motor Equipment Operator)

 effective January 22, 2019, made by Board President Jeffers and seconded by Board Member DiMarco.

 **5 ayes 0 nays 0 absent**

• **MOTION** to promote John Denmark to Senior Water Plant Operator, effective January 22, 2019, made by

 Board President Jeffers and Seconded by Board Member Swierzowski.

 **5 ayes 0 nays 0 absent**

Board Member Swierzowski noted the Personnel Committee had a discussion with Eric Heberer during the interview process on January 18, 2019 regarding him being given the HEO (Heavy Equipment Operator) position, unless someone more qualified applies. According to Board Member Swierzowski, this is an unofficial promotion, which Eric Heberer understands.

Board Member Swierzowski also noted that the three current laborers (Heberer, Elmendorf, and Mowrey) and John Denmark are to note their out of title work on their timesheets.

Board Member Swierzowski instructed Clerk Koehler to post the HEO position on Monday 1/28/2019.

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

• Next regular Water Board meeting will be Monday, February 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

• **MOTION** to enter into Executive Session for “the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of

a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation” made by Board President Jeffers and seconded by Board Vice President Hammer at 3:45 p.m.

 **5 ayes 0 nays 0 absent**

• M**OTION** to exit Executive Session made by Board Member Swierzowski and seconded by

Board Vice President Hammer at 4:35 p.m.

**5 ayes 0 nays 0 absent**

**ADJOURNMENT**

• **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting made by Board President Jeffers and seconded by Board Member

DiMarco at 4:36 p.m.

 **5 ayes 0 nays 0 absent**

Submitted by

Barbara Koehler

Clerk of the Water Board