

34001 W. Jefferson • Brownstown Township, Michigan 48173

# Regular Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2021

The Board meeting conference call was called to order by Chairman Jim Gorris at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call: Brownstown – Bill Turner (Absent) Flat Rock – Justin Danosky

Gibraltar – Jim Gorris Huron – Jim Lancaster

Van Buren - Sharry Budd Woodhaven – Tim Neighbors

S. Rockwood – Art Wenzel (Absent)

Also present: Firooz Fath-Azam Randy Pentiuk, Attorney

Sean Bellingham Stacey Reeves, Plante Moran

Scott Mangold, Jacobs
Mark Houle, Jacobs
Tim Sullivan, HRC
Andy Mechel, Jacobs
Jim Taylor, Van Buren
Lauren Fath-Azam

Nekeeita Harris, Jacobs

**Agenda:** As presented.

### **Minutes:**

Motion by Huron, second by Flat Rock to approve the Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2021, Monthly Board Meeting. All Communities are present besides Brownstown and S. Rockwood. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Expenditures:**

Motion by Woodhaven, second by Huron to approve the January 2021 expenditures of **\$1,271,171.77.** All Communities are present besides Brownstown and S. Rockwood. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Jacobs Report:**

Scott Mangold reported that Mark Houle would be the interim Project Manager until a staffing proposal is presented and approved By the Board as DJ Fox is no longer with Jacobs.

Mark Houle reported that in January, the plant was 100% compliant. There was a process a minor upset while making adjustments, but the plant stayed well within parameters. The EQ Basin was not utilized in January. Most likely, the plant will be operating on three Biodecks through the Spring. Approximately 1.2 Million gallons of solids were removed in January. The full date is toward the end of May to mid-June. Plant staff is in the process of cleaning out cell #4 to get the two support beams installed. Chemical usage is within the normal range. Mr. Houle expects a decrease in energy usage in 2021 based on proposed solids management.

Andy Mechel reported that all required interceptor cleanings and inspections were completed. Quotes were received and reviewed for the Outfall inspection. Jacobs has decided to move forward with Hibbard Inshore from Auburn Hills. Pump Stations have been running smoothly. The Raw Sewage piping project has started. Jacobs has been planning and preparing for the upcoming 2021 projects. The CMMS program is still working well.

Mr. Mangold added that the 2020 budget was maintained well, disregarding the two emergencies, including the basement flooding due to a valve falling off one of the pipes on the Influent Pump Station and the Chemical Room filling up with sand due to one of the drain lines breaking.

Mr. Mechel continued to report that they have been working on cleaning and organizing the plant. Jacobs has continued to work with HRC to finalize the CIP projects. The annual electrical inspection was completed, currently in the process of relocating the TSS sensor from the splitter box over to the sampler room. Quotes have been received for the breaker repair project and will be reviewed.

### **CDM Smith Billable Flow Report for January**

Motion by Huron, second by Gibraltar to receive the CDM Smith Billable Flow Report for January. All Communities are present besides Brownstown and S. Rockwood. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **HRC Report**

### **Priority 1 & 2 Improvement Project**

Tim Sullivan reported that HRC has been working to meet the March 8 deadline to complete the plans and specs. Mr. Sullivan noted that the schedule is in the meeting packet. Some work will need to be done on the specs and reviewed along with many price sheets, the sludge quantities, and the tax issue.

## **Lystek Design-Build**

Mr. Sullivan continued to report that they are continuing to work with Lystek to review their 60% submittals, shop drawings, etc. They are currently still on schedule. Mr. Fath-Azam

inquired as to how far behind HRC is on the schedule. Mr. Sullivan added that they are still planning for March 8 deadline to complete the plans and specs.

## **System Manager Report**

### Local Community Rules and Regulation Resolution Adoption Update

Mr. Fath-Azam reported that Flat Rock was the last community to send their executed resolution this past Wednesday. Therefore, the Local Rules and Regulations have been readopted.

CDM has completed the 2020 flow Lookback report. Sean Bellingham and Mr. Fath-Azam have reviewed the report, and all looks well. Mr. Fath-Azam will need to schedule a Technical Committee Meeting to review the lookback report.

### **Attorney Comments**

Randy Pentiuk reported that currently, remote meetings are scheduled to end under the State law on March 31 but may be extended. The attorneys and paralegals for the US Department of Justice Antitrust Division had a conference call with Mr. Fath-Azam and himself on our views and circumstances surrounding the hostile takeover of Suez by Veolia.

Mr. Pentiuk continued to report that they have continued to work with Lystek on their insurance documents and are satisfied with the payment and performance bonds. MR Pentiuk continued that they are in dialog with Constellation on bringing back a proposal from them.

Mr. Pentiuk has received the signed consent order with Wayne Disposal, Inc. (WDI), which will require WDI to have full compliance by the end of this year. Mr. Pentiuk responded to an inquiry from the Department of Treasury regarding the SHVUA Tax Exemption application.

Mr. Houle inquired if they will be tracking the answers to the consent order with WDI. Mr. Pentiuk noted that they could discuss a plan for that.

### **Other Business**

After hearing about the cyber-attack on a treatment plant in Florida, Jim Taylor suggested to discuss the issue at the Technical Meeting to discuss the plant's potential for a cyber-attack. Mr. Fath-Azam noted that the plant is in excellent condition as far as a cyber-attack, but it is a good idea to discuss the matter at the next Technical Meeting.

No other business was presented at this time.

#### **Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Firooz Fath-Azam System Manager

### Attachments:

- a. Minutes from January 20, 2021, SHVUA Board Meeting
- b. Expenditures for January 2021
- c. Jacobs Monthly Operating Report for January 2021
- d. CDM Smith Billable Flow Report for January 2021
- e. Plante & Moran Pre-Audit Communication
- f. HRC Report