

Village of Bath Municipal Utility Commission Regular Meeting – June 15, 2022

Official Meeting Minutes

The Municipal Utility Commission of the Village of Bath (Commission) held a Regular Meeting on the 15th day of June 2022. The meeting was called to order by Jeffrey Muller, Chairman of the Commission, at 4:35 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Jeffrey Muller, Chairman
Mark Alger, Vice Chairman
Keith Becken
Robert Plaskov
Vernard Anderson

participated via videoconference

Others Present:

Erin Bonacci, BEGWS Director of Municipal Utilities
Samantha Voss, Municipal Utility Commission Clerk / BEGWS Senior Typist
Matthew Whedbee, Utilities Asset Manager
Kristine New, CSEA BEGWS Unit President / BEGWS Accountant

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Alger, to approve the meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 12, 2022 All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Alger, to approve the meeting minutes of the Special Meeting held on May 27, 2022 All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Audit of Bills:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Alger, to approve payment of the April abstracts in the amount of \$1,589,673.02. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Lake Country Estates Underground Electric and Gas Utility Infrastructure:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, recommending to the Village of Bath Board of Trustees approval of the resolution for a SEQR Type II action for the proposed electric and gas utility infrastructure improvements serving the Lake Country Estates mobile home community. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Additional Electric-Power Distribution Technical Support/ Engineering Assistance:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, authorizing Director Bonacci to retain Power Line Model (PLM) for technical support and engineering assistance pertaining to the proposed electric utility infrastructure improvements serving the Lake Country Estates mobile home community for a fee not-to-exceed \$5,000. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Purchase of Utility Poles:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, approving the emergency purchase and authorizing Director Bonacci to purchase two truckloads of utility poles for an amount not-to-exceed \$41,079.81 plus shipping. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Sullivan Trail Amendment:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, approving the Sullivan Trail amendment for tying over three (3) existing gas service for a cost of \$7,715. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Excavator Rental:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Alger, authorizing Director Bonacci to rent an excavator for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,475.00 for one month. All present were in favor and the motion was carried

SRBC Groundwater Withdrawal Renewal Application:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, authorizing Director Bonacci to retain the ARM Group for professional services pertaining to the SRBC groundwater withdrawal renewal application for Well 8 for a fee not-to-exceed \$24,195 plus direct expenses. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

SRBC Groundwater Withdrawal Renewal Application & SRBC Application Review Fees:

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Alger, authorizing Director Bonacci to submit the SRBC groundwater withdrawal renewal application and approve payment to SRBC for the Groundwater Withdrawal fee of \$11,818.00 and the Alternative Hydrogeologic Evaluation fee of \$3,909.00. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Sullivan Trail Invoice:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Alger, to authorize payment to Sullivan Train in the amount of \$77,350.00. All present were in favor and the motion carried.

NYSDEC Drinking Water Source Protection Program:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, authorizing Director Bonacci to sign and submit a letter of commitment to Southern Tier Central Regional Planning & Development Board for participating in the NYSDEC Drinking Water Source Protection Program. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Perkins Place / Park Place / Muck Circle:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, approving the emergency purchase and authorizing Director Bonacci to purchase of water distribution system components in order to complete the water main replacement projects on Perkins Place, Park Place, and Muck Circle for an amount not-to-exceed \$52,431.75. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Collection System & Lift Station Improvements:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, authorizing Director Bonacci to retain GHD for professional services pertaining to the engineering report development for the Village of Bath and Town of Bath Collection System & Lift Station Improvements required for NYSEFC's Intended Use Plan Annual List for a fee not-to-exceed \$5,700.00 plus direct expenses. All present were in favor and the motion was carried

Appointment and Reappointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, to reappoint Jeffrey Muller as Chairman and Mark Alger as Vice Chairman. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Village of Bath Municipal Utility Commission Regular Meeting Schedule:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, to approve the Regular Meeting schedule of the Village of Bath Municipal Utility Commission as noted below. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Village of Bath Municipal Utility Commission

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Regular Meeting Schedule

June 2022	June 15, 2022
July 2022	July 12, 2022
August 2022	August 9, 2022
September 2022	September 13, 2022
October 2022	October 11, 2022
November 2022	November 8, 2022
December 2022	December 13, 2022
January 2023	January 10, 2023
February 2023	February 14, 2023
March 2023	March 14, 2023
April 2023	April 11, 2023
May 2023	May 9, 2023

Audit Committee:

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, designating Chairman Muller and Vice Chairman Alger as the Auditing of Bills Committee for Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Temporary Laborers for Summer Help:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, approving the hourly wage for Temporary Laborers of \$14.00 per hour. All others present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Travel Expense Reimbursement:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, acknowledging reimbursement from BEGWS Accountant Jordan Snell for additional lodging for the MEUA Accounting & Finance Workshop. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Kristine New left the Regular Meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Executive Session:

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, to leave Open Meeting and enter into Executive Session at 5:41 p.m. for; (1) employment history of particular person(s); matters leading to employment of particular person(s); (2) proposed acquisition of real property. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Alger, seconded by Commissioner Plaskov, to leave Executive Session and return to Open Meeting at 5:55 p.m. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

New York State Right of Way Mapping:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Alger, authorizing Director Bonacci to retain Hunt EAS for professional services pertaining to the New York State right-of-way mapping for a fee not-to-exceed \$27,000 plus direct expenses. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Commissioner Plaskov, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 5:59 p.m. All present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Samantha Voss
Municipal Utility Commission Clerk

**Next Regular Meeting Scheduled For:
July 12, 2022 at 4:30 P.M.**