

**Representative Policy Board
Finance Committee
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District
Via Remote Access**

MINUTES

Special Meeting of Monday, December 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES: **Finance Committee Members:** Tom Clifford, Charles Havrda, Jay Jaser, Tim Slocum and Michelle Verderame

RPB: Brian Eitzer, Bob Harvey, Greg Malloy, Joe Oslander, Tony Rescigno, Mario Ricozzi and Jamie Mowat Young

Authority: Joe Cermola

Management: Larry Bingaman, Beth Nesteriak, Lisa Burns, Rochelle Kowalski, and Prem Lakshman Singh

OCA: Jeffrey Donofrio

Staff: Jennifer Slubowski

Chair Slocum called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

Ms. Nesteriak, RWA's Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, introduced Ms. Burns, RWA's Director of Operations, who provided a Risk, Resiliency & Redundancy, Water Distribution Update, which included:

- System Overview
- Operating Strategy
- Near and long-term visions for risk, resiliency and redundancy
- Operations Summary

Discussion took place regarding pump station failures, causes, contingency plans, and projected costs.

At 5:40 p.m., Messrs. Eitzer, Oslander, Harvey, Malloy, Rescigno and Mss. Burns and Young withdrew from the meeting.

On motion made by Mr. Clifford, seconded by Mr. Jaser, and unanimously carried, the committee approved the minutes of its November 9, 2020 meeting.

Mr. Slocum confirmed the Finance Committee's special meeting to review management's proposed FY 2022 Budget is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President and Chief Executive Officer provided an overview of zero the interest billing that was approved by the RPB in June 2020.

Ms. Kowalski, the RWA's Vice President of Financial Services, stated that the COVID pandemic continues to have financial implications on RWA's customers and expects a potential impact on cash perspectives through March 31, 2021. Members of RWA's management stated that the right thing to do for the economic impact felt by customers would be to extend the zero interest billing from December 31, 2020 to March 31, 2021. On motion made by Mr. Jaser, seconded by Mr. Clifford, and

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unanimously carried, the committee voted to recommend an extension on zero interest billing through March 31, 2021 to the Representative Policy Board at its next meeting on December 17, 2020.

Ms. Kowalski reviewed the Quarterly Report on RPB Approved Projects, which included:

- Ansonia-Derby Tank
- Brushy Plains Water System Improvements
- System-Wide Ratio Telemetry (RTU) Upgrades
- Branford Hill Service Area Improvements
- North Sleeping Giant Wellfield Improvements

At 5:50 p.m. on motion made by Mr. Clifford, seconded by Mr. Havrda, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned.

Timothy Slocum, Chairman

Note: As a reminder, the next meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for January 11, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.