

**Representative Policy Board
Nominating Committee
South Central Connecticut Regional Water District
Minutes of August 31, 2020 Meeting**

A special meeting of the Nominating Committee of the Representative Policy Board (“Committee”) of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District (“RWA”) took place on Monday, August 31, 2021, via remote access. Chair Havrda presided.

Present: **Committee Members** – Charles Havrda, Naomi Campbell, Brian Eitzer, Tony Rescigno and Stephen Mongillo

RPB: Mario Ricozzi

Authority – Anthony DiSalvo

RWA – Larry Bingaman, Tara Augur

OCA – Jeffrey Donofrio, Esq.

The Committee called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

Chair Havrda reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

The Committee met with Mr. DiSalvo, Authority Vice Chair, and Mr. Bingaman, the RWA’s President & Chief Executive Officer, to discuss the types of experience, traits and responsibilities most needed by the Authority and the current status of the incumbent.

Messrs. DiSalvo and Bingaman stated that they are pleased with Mr. Borowy’s service on the Authority and in his current seat as Chairman over the past year. In his role as Chair, Mr. Borowy has been a great influence on Authority members and has led board discussions with care on difficult topics that required quick decisions. They also noted Mr. Borowy’s extensive public experience, having served as the Mayor Cheshire and as a board member on the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”), prior to his appointment on the Authority. Mr. Borowy is also an expert in financial matters and understands the RWA’s financial status.

Messrs. DiSalvo and Bingaman stated their support for the reappointment of Mr. Borowy for a five-year term, as well as his reappointment as Chair of the Authority when his term as Chairman comes up at the end of the year.

Chair Havrda asked if revisions or additions should be made to the Criteria to be Utilized in Recommending Appointment of a Candidate to the Five Member Authority for the Term Beginning 12/31/2021 (“Criteria”), in hindsight of the events of the pandemic and its effect on in-person and virtual meetings. Mr. Bingaman stated that the Criteria is comprehensive and sufficient, however, he agreed that the Criteria should reflect a candidate’s ability to be comfortable in a virtual environment.

Mr. Ricozzi, RPB Chairman, added that the Criteria should also include the ability of Authority members to maintain public involvement in order to meet Freedom of Information Act requirements.

The Committee discussed various aspects of the selection criteria previously adopted by the Nominating Committee in 2020. Based on comments by Committee members and Messrs. DiSalvo and Bingaman, the Committee agreed to modify the selection Criteria to include communication skills relevant to remote meetings and to add engineering and technical background to the credentials. The Committee will submit the revisions to the full RPB for discussion and comment at its September 23rd meeting.

Mr. Ricozzi reported that Mr. Borowy expressed his interest in serving for another five-year term. He also reported that no RPB members were interested in being considered for the position.

The Committee reviewed the RPB Bylaw provisions and timing regarding the nominating process.

After discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee to bypass a candidate search and recommend the incumbent for reappointment to the Authority for a five-year term. On motion made by Mr. Rescigno, seconded by Mr. Eitzer, and unanimously carried, it was the consensus of the Committee to reappoint Mr. Borowy to the Authority for another five-year term.

The Committee's recommendation for the reappointment of incumbent Authority member will take place at the RPB's October meeting.

The Committee's next meeting will be scheduled for early October to adopt the Criteria and recommend to the RPB the reappointment of the incumbent Authority member.

At 5:29 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Charles Havrda, Chairman