

MINUTES of the GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING of the ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY held in the office, 295 Main Street, Room 350, Buffalo, New York, on the 14th day of June, 2018 as amended August 16, 2018

PRESENT: Jerome D. Schad, Chairman
 Mark S. Carney, Vice Chairman
 Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority and Ad Hoc Member
 Margaret A. Murphy, Associate Attorney and Ad Hoc Member
 Robert J. Lichtenthal, Jr. Deputy Director
 Karen A. Prendergast, Comptroller
 Earl L. Jann, Executive Director
 Paul H. Riester, Director of Administration
 John J. Mogavero, Chemist/Chief WTPO

ATTENDEES: Mike Mombrea, WIVB
 Chris Horvatits, WIVB
 David Harrington, WGRZ
 Dave McKinley, WGRZ
 Bohdan Petriv, WKBW

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

I. - ROLL CALL

II. - READING OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Carney seconded by Mr. Schad and carried to waive the reading of the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on May 31, 2018.

DISCUSSION

None

VOTE

Ayes: Two; Commrs. Schad and Carney

Noes: None

III. - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Carney seconded by Mr. Schad and carried to approve the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on May 31, 2018.

DISCUSSION

None

VOTE

Ayes: Two; Commrs. Schad and Carney

Noes: None

IV. – REPORTS

V. - COMMUNICATIONS AND BILLS

VI. - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

T-1 APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED POLICY NO. 94.0 (ITEM NO. 4 4/19/18)

T-2 ADOPTION OF POLICY NO. 96.0 (ITEM NO. 15 4/19/18)

VII. - NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 1 - Approval of Recommendation to the Erie County Water Authority Audit Committee to Solicit a 2019 Budget Calendar

Motion by seconded by to recommend to the Erie County Water Authority’s Audit Committee to solicit a 2019 Budget Calendar from the Authority’s staff and subsequently recommend the calendar to the Board for adoption.

Ayes:

Noes:

Discussion

Chairman Schad asked that a proposed calendar be put together for the budget process so that the Board can look at meetings that will involve the Board during the process so that the process can be open. He does not want the Board to only be involved at the very end.

Vice Chairman Carney would like the calendar to be part of the packet for discussion at next meeting. He said the idea is to schedule the Board out so that they have a little more time “to deliberate” in looking at the budget. Mr. Lichtenthal will work with the Secretary’s office with respect to board meetings for approval. Deputy Director Lichtenthal explained that the target date under the Public Authorities Law and under ABO guidelines is 60 days before the start of the fiscal year which would be November 1st.

Chairman Schad again stated that it is important that the Board have some view of when submissions are made by the department heads at some point in the process so that the Board is involved before the final cuts.

No action was taken

VIII. - ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Carney seconded by Mr. Schad and carried that the meeting adjourn.

DISCUSSION

None

VOTE

Ayes: Two; Commrs. Schad and Carney

Noes: None

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence D. McCracken
Secretary to the Authority

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