



NORWICH BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES' COMMISSIONERS
&
SEWER AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
REGULAR MEETINGS

April 26, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Norwich Board of Public Utilities' Commissioners and the Sewer Authority of the City of Norwich was held on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 by WebEx and in the 2nd Floor Board Room of Norwich Public Utilities (NPU), 16 South Golden Street, Norwich.

Item 1. The Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chairman Stewart Peil.

Present: Chairman Stewart Peil, Vice Chairman Ashon Avent, Commissioner Robert Staley and Commissioner Michael Goldblatt. Secretary Warzecha joined the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Also in attendance were General Manager Chris LaRose, Steve Sinko, Jeff Brining, Kerri Kemp, Michele Addabbo, Laura Huren, Chris Riley, Larry Sullivan, Mary Lou Rychling, Dave Poore and Barry Ellison. Ronald Nossek from Clifton Larson Allen LLP. was also present.

Item 2. Fifteen-Minute Public Comment Period. None.

Item 3. Minutes of the Regular Board of Public Utilities' Commissioners Meeting and Sewer Authority of the City of Norwich, held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Staley, seconded by Commissioner Goldblatt. Unanimously approved.

Chairman Peil thanked Commissioner Staley for his service to the Board as Chairman over the last three years.

Item 4. Information and Updates Provided to the Board in advance of the meeting.

- Leadership Team Update.
- Financial Update

Item 5. Auditors Report. Ronald Nossek from CLA presented the Board with NPU's 2021 Audit Results. Discussion followed.

Item 6. CMEEC Update. Chairman Peil gave an update to the Board on CMEEC activity.

Item 8. Commissioner Staley, seconded by Commissioner Goldblatt moved to move Agenda Item 8. to before Agenda Item 7. Unanimously approved.

Action Item. Budget Approval Vote. Commissioner Goldblatt, seconded by Commissioner Staley moved to approve the FY23 Budget for Norwich Board of Public Utilities Commissioners and the Sewer Authority of the City of Norwich. Unanimously approved.

Commissioner Goldblatt left the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Item 7. Strategic Presentations. Collections Update/Moratorium End. Ruth Swift spoke to the Board regarding NPU's collections and energy assistance programs. Discussion followed.

NPU Strategic Plan. General Manager LaRose spoke to the Board about NPU's Strategic Plan. Informative.

Secretary Warzecha joined the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Impact of Inflation on PGA/PPA. Laura Huren spoke to the Board regarding the impact of inflation on the PGA/PPA. Discussion followed.

Item 9. Executive Session – To Discuss Confidential Trade Secret & Commercially Valuable Confidential or Proprietary Information Not Subject to Inspection or Public Disclosure Pursuant to Section 1-210[5] and 7-232a of the CT General Statutes. This information is commercially valuable, confidential and proprietary and is not public disclosure, pursuant to Public Act No. 98-212; and, To Discuss Personnel Matters of an Employee(s) and/or Public Official, pursuant to Chapter 14, Section 1-200 (6) (A) of the CT General Statutes.

Secretary Warzecha, seconded by Commissioner Staley moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:32 p.m. Unanimously approved. General Manager LaRose, Steve Sinko, Jeff Brining and Kerri Kemp were asked to stay for Executive Session.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

Secretary Warzecha, seconded by Commissioner Staley moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Unanimously approved.

The next Regular Meetings are scheduled to be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2022.

Attest:

William Warzecha
Secretary