



**KAREGNONDI WATER AUTHORITY**  
**Public Board Meeting**  
**Worth Township**  
**(810) 732-7870**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**May 21, 2014**

Meeting Convened 2:07 p.m.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.  
Invocation was given by Micki Hoffman

**Roll Call –**

**Board Members Present:** Jamie Curtis, Greg Alexander, Joseph Suma, Paula Zelenko, Josh Freeman, Larry Green, Ted Henry, Marilyn Hoffman, Steve Landaal, Sheldon Neeley

**Members Absent (Excused):** Dayne Walling, Dale Kerbyson, Tracey Tucker, Richard Hammel, Thomas Svrcek

**Also Present:**

John F. O'Brien, Deputy CEO  
Kevin K. Kilby, Corporation Counsel  
Stauder Barch, Financial Advisors

**Minutes:**

- ❖ Motion for Approval of February 19, 2014 Minutes by *Ted Henry*; Supported by *Micki Hoffman*; Discussion Ensued; Motion to Table Minutes to June 18 Meeting when CEO Wright is Present by *Ted Henry*; Supported by *Jamie Curtis*; Voice Vote – Motion Passed Unanimously

**Reports:**

Treasurer Trudy Nicol went over the Treasurer's reports with the Board.

- ❖ Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report as Presented by *Jamie Curtis*; Supported by *Ted Henry*; Discussion Ensued; Voice Vote – Motion Passed Unanimously

**Communication:**

The Deputy CEO reported on the bond sale. He also reported bids have been solicited for three more project segments – the Lake Huron Pump Station, the Intermediate Pump Station, and the first of the pipe sections – Project S.4007. The Lake Huron Pump Station has been awarded to L. D'Agostini. The apparent low bidder for the IPS is E&L Construction, and it is anticipated a Notice of Award will be issued. Pipe Project S.4007 bids were opened, and Zito Construction is the apparent low bid.

**Consent Agenda:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- ❖ Motion to Accept Resolution 2014-03 Resolution Amending Resolution 2013-15 by *Jamie Curtis*; Supported by *Josh Freeman*; Discussion Ensued; Voice Vote – Motion Passed Unanimously

**Second Public Comment:**

Terry Gill wondered if there was an idea when the bids would be opened extending pipe down Fisher Road?

Kay Cumbow wondered about the construction of the second pump station, inquiring if that pump station is the one near Lynn Township and if construction was still slated to begin in 2014.

Mark Monson passed around a map and indicated how the Treatment Plant is going to affect homeowners. Genesee County Parks treated public very fairly; however, people living near the pump station in this case are treated poorly.

Christa Jarema remarked on her concern over the effect the construction is going to have on her family, property, and finances.

Larry Bourgeois thanked contractors working on the project.

**Board Comment:**

Deputy CEO O'Brien stated further bids are planned for July, August and September for the remaining four sections of pipe along Fisher Road and Lapeer County. Still working on some road permitting approvals. Pipe construction contracts not expected to begin until 2015. The anticipated schedule is on the web page.

Intermediate Pump Station is at Martin & Hull in Lynn Township, and a Notice to Proceed will be issued this coming week. Construction could begin as early as July.

In the news regarding the rattlesnakes, the riffle shell mussel, the blue bird and tree frog, KWA has been working with the MDEQ and EPA. Fish and Wildlife is out on the Black River today. MDEQ is still on track to make their decision by first week of June. The MDEQ recommended that the KWA hire a biologist whom they had referred. That was done. The biologist couldn't find any of the threatened animals.

With regard to Genesee County's WTP in Lapeer County, the appropriate place for those discussions is going to be at Oregon Township. The KWA Board doesn't have any involvement in the layout of that treatment plant. KWA has met with the Oregon Township Planning personnel. Recommendations have been made to the plans. The plans will be brought before the Planning Commission in June or July.

Ted Henry inquired if there were any treatment plants on line that the public could view that would be similar to the one proposed; Deputy CEO was not aware of any.

Paula Zelenko has been contacted by various labor groups inquiring as to why KWA is not utilizing the Michigan Fair Trade segment in the contract essentially allowing them to inspect and make sure the contractors are being paid a fair wage. John O'Brien indicated that Karegnondi has a prevailing wage requirement. KWA was approached by an independent company that asked to be hired by KWA directly to enforce the prevailing wage. The problem is that they wanted the KWA to sign a document that would require the complaining employee to pay the bill. The KWA is working with an organized labor group to come up with a solution.

Larry Green inquired as to if there are going to be any requirements for rezoning for the pump station parcels or do they meet the rezoning requirements. John O'Brien indicated the pump station only requires a special use permit for the existing zoning.

Sheldon Neeley indicated the economic subcommittee members will be contacted in the next few weeks to meet regarding economic development. He hopes to get maximum benefit for all communities.

Steve Landaal inquired if an impact study was done. John O'Brien indicated that there was not. Mr. Neeley would urge that there be some consideration and sensitivity to the families present and try to make some accommodation. Joseph Suma and Greg Alexander agreed with this.

Greg Alexander thanked Worth Township for hosting the meeting. CEO Wright requested a June 18, 2014, 2 p.m. meeting be scheduled. Joseph Suma indicated he would check with Lapeer County. Greg Alexander requested the Notice be posted on the website as soon as possible.

**Meeting Adjourned at 2:45 p.m.**

**MEETING MINTUES DECLARED ADOPTED.**

STATE OF MICHIGAN     )  
                                  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF GENESEE    )

I, Steve Montle, Secretary of the Karegnondi Water Authority Board, do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the Minutes of Meetings of May 21, 2014, adopted by the Karegnondi Water Authority Board, acting in the County of Lapeer, at a meeting held on June 18, 2014, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976, as amended, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by publication or posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have affixed my official signature on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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STEVE MONTLE, Secretary

*Prepared by Janis M. Wells, Deputy Secretary*