

**GREATER MONCTON WASTEWATER COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

DATE: **Thursday – March 18, 2021 at 6:00pm**
At the TransAqua Riverview Operations Centre Boardroom

PRESENT: Michel Desjardins, Chair
Jennifer Dingman, Treasurer
Brenda Dore Kidney, Commissioner
Yves Gagnon, Secretary
Gerald Lundquist, Commissioner
JP Ouellette, Commissioner

REGRETS:

INVITED: Jennifer Langille, Director of Finance and Admin
Chris Petrie, Director of Engineering and Operations
Kevin Rice, General Manager

1. Chairman’s remarks and approval of Agenda

Motion:

That the agenda be approved as modified to add Items 5.1, 5.2 and 6.2 from the Private Meeting to the agenda at Item 9 and to add Item 5.2 as a submission by the Chair regarding a review of GMWC By-law No. 1.

Moved by: Gerald Lundquist

Seconded by: Brenda Dore Kidney

MOTION CARRIED

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

2.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – February 18, 2021

Motion: That the Minutes be approved as presented.

Moved by: Yves Gagnon

Seconded by: Brenda Dore Kidney

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 Procès-verbal de la réunion ordinaire du 18 février 2021

Motion: That the French Minutes be approved as presented.

Moved by: Yves Gagnon

Seconded by: JP Ouellette

MOTION CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

4. Consent Agenda

K. Rice briefly reviewed the General Manager Report for March 2021. Discussion followed and various questions asked were clarified.

- 4.1 Matters arising from the Public Meeting of February 18, 2021
- 4.2 General Manager Report – March 2021

Motion: That the Commission receive and file all Reports in the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Brenda Dore Kidney

Seconded by: Jennifer Dingman

MOTION CARRIED

5. Submissions by Commissioners

- 5.1 Chair Desjardins submitted information regarding the process of naming a new bridge that will replace the Causeway between Moncton and Riverview. He said the Sentinelles Petitcodiac Riverkeepers wrote to ask TransAqua for a Letter of Support for the name of the bridge they are proposing (Pont Petitgodiag). The Commission chose not to provide a Letter of Support at this time.
- 5.2 Chair Desjardins mentioned there was a requirement to review GMWC By-laws and policies regarding the role and responsibilities of the GMWC Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Commissioners. The Commission directed the General Manager to schedule meetings for the GMWC Finance, Audit and Governance Committee to begin this review.

6. Business Matters

6.1 Phase 4C Mechanical and Electrical Contract

Motion: That the Commission accept the quotation for the Phase 4C Mechanical and Electrical Contract from Black & McDonald for the total amount of \$421,000.00 (not including HST) under their Master Agreement with TransAqua with the understanding that some of the items are based on estimated hours and fees and the final payment amount is to be determined from actual field work and authorize the General Manager to administer and make payments associated with this Agreement.

This contract was discussed at length in the context of TransAqua's procurement practices during the WWTF Upgrade and Modernization project. Several questions were asked to staff, who in turn explained the procurement process in detail, the system of checks and balances in place and the pros and cons of awarding additional work to contractors under master agreements. The Commission directed the General Manager to provide a report regarding the Public Tendering process as it relates directly to the WWTF Upgrade and Modernization Project.

Moved by: Brenda Dore Kidney

Seconded by: Jennifer Dingman

MOTION CARRIED

Secretary Gagnon - ABSTAIN

6.2 GMWC Public Meeting Procedural Policy

Motion: That the Commission approve the GMWC Public Meeting Procedural Policy as amended.

Moved by: Jennifer Dingman

Seconded by: JP Ouellette

MOTION CARRIED

6.3 Bourque Road Forcemain Contract

Motion: That the Commission award Phase 1 and 2 of the Bourque Road Forcemain Contract for the total price of \$462,100.00 (not including HST) in 2021 and \$464,500.00 in 2022 and authorize the General Manager to administer and make payments associated with this contract.

Moved by: JP Ouellette

Seconded by: Jennifer Dingman

MOTION CARRIED

7. Consideration of Issues Separated from the Consent Agenda

No items

8. Supplemental Agenda

No items

9. Items arising from the Private Meeting

Motion: That Items 5.1, 5.2 and 6.2 being the Motions from the Private Meeting be ratified.

Moved by: JP Ouellette

Seconded by: Brenda Dore Kidney

MOTION CARRIED

10. Information Items

10.1 CyberSecure Canada Certification

10.2 Fundy Biosphere Reserve Support Letter

11. Adjournment

Motion: That the Public Meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Jennifer Dingman

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm

Next meeting – April 15, 2021