

PAWTUCKET WATER SUPPLY BOARD

The 425<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Pawtucket Water Supply Board met on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 5:00 PM

William Masuck called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

**PWSB Members Present**

William Masuck, Chairperson – present  
James Bradford, Vice Chairperson – present  
Thomas Hodge – not present  
Mike Araujo –present  
Mark Theroux – not present  
Mark Stankiewicz - present

**PWSB Staff Present**

James DeCelles - Chief Engineer  
Michael Lecours – Chief Financial Officer  
Katie Peters – Executive Project Manager  
Joe Keough – Attorney

**Public Attendees**

None

**4. Consent Agenda**

A motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by James Bradford and seconded by Mike Araujo.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck - Yes  
James Bradford – Yes  
Mike Araujo – Yes  
Mark Stankiewicz - Yes

**APPROVED**

**Old Business:**

**5A. Bristol Country Water Purchase Contract**

Motion to table this agenda item until the next meeting was made by Mike Araujo and seconded by Mark Stankiewicz.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck - Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Stankiewicz - Yes

**APPROVED**

**New Business:**

**6A. Attleboro Water Purchase Contract**

The Board was asked to approve the water purchase contract between the PWSB and the city of Attleboro, MA. This connection should be up and running next month. The contract does not stipulate a minimum or a maximum allowance of water, it will be up to the sole discretion of the PWSB, due to the concern state regulators in Massachusetts about the mixing of two different water sources. There will be a pilot test to ensure that there are no water quality problems, though the PWSB does not anticipate any issues, as the water quality between PWSB and Attleboro are almost identical. PWSB is working to connect the new pump station on Ralco Way to the PWSB's computer system, to monitor water usage, pressures, and chemicals.

Motion to accept the contract was made by Mark Stankiewicz and seconded by James Bradford.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck - Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Stankiewicz - Yes

**APPROVED**

**6B. Granite Park Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement**

The Board was asked to approve an indemnification and hold harmless agreement between the PWSB and the Blackstone River Watershed Council (BRWC). The agreement removes any liability from PWSB for the Granite Park restoration project.

Motion to accept the contract was made by Mike Araujo and seconded by James Bradford.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck - Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Stankiewicz - Yes

**APPROVED**

**6C. Treatment Plant Contract Operations Bid Award**

The board was asked that the PWSB recommend that the Purchasing Board approve a contract with Veolia North America for the operation of the PWSB water treatment facility. The annual cost over the term of the contract is \$3.23 million plus an annual inflation adjustment.

Motion to recommend that the Purchasing Board approve the contract was made by James Bradford and seconded by Mike Araujo.

**Roll Call Taken:**

William Masuck - Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Mike Araujo – Yes

Mark Stankiewicz - Yes

**APPROVED**

Next scheduled meeting will be on November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

A motion to adjourn was made by James Bradford and seconded by Mike Araujo.

Meeting adjourned at 5:18 pm.

Certified by PAWTUCKET WATER SUPPLY BOARD, recorded by kp



William Masuck, Chairperson