Representative Advisory Board of the Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority to the Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority Groton Public Library October 18, 2018

The meeting of the Representative Advisory Board (RAB) of the Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority and the Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Advisory Board Chairman Jackson. It was determined by Mr. Cansler that the requisite number of members present constituted a quorum. Mr. Chairman Jackson concurred.

Those Advisory Board Members in attendance were Jim Bonanno, Bozrah; Carol Russell, East Lyme: Thomas Seidel, Franklin; Martin Artale Jr., Groton City; Dean Antipas and Mary Lou Smith, Groton Town; Barry Weiner, New London, Michael Macina, North Stonington; George Jackson and James Fogarty, Salem; Jack Malone and Dennison Allen, Sprague; Jeffrey Callahan and Michael Adair, Stonington Borough.

SECT Water Authority Members in attendance were Chairman Monahan, Paul Eccard, Peter Balestracci, Barbara Lee Franciosi, Nicholas Mullane and Claudia Koerting.

Chairman Jackson announced the opportunity for public comment before the RAB and there was none presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Callahan and seconded by Mr. Weiner to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2018 meeting. Ms. Russell made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Fogarty to amend the April minutes. The language of the amendment was read into the record by the Secretary. There was discussion on the amendment. Mr. Weiner said he thought it important to expect the Representative Advisory Board take no position regarding the content of the amendment lest it be construed legally as a position of the group.

A vote was taken on the amendment and resulted in its passage. The vote was 5-2 in favor indicated by a show of hands.

A motion was made by Ms. Russell and seconded by Mr. Fogarty to accept the minutes of the July 19th meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Report from the SWCA Chairman

Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority Chairman Edward Monahan delivered his quarterly report to the Advisory Board. A copy of his report is attached.

His report addressed the following Operational Activities topics:

- A. Emergency Interconnections with Ledyard/Groton Utilities.
- B. Tower Division Well # 3.
- C. Thames Aquatic Center. Chairman Monahan indicated the project could be a fruitful but there has not been any dialogue between SWCA and TAC in several months.
- D. North Stonington School upgrade project.

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His report also addressed the following Administrative Activities topics:

- A. Claim by Raspberry Junction. Chairman Monahan said legal proceeding were moving forward. There was discussion from the membership of increased legal fees as a result of the submission of documents that were apparently not complete. Chairman Monahan the matter was being addressed progressively by SCWA counsel.
- B. Fiscal Year 2018 Audit near completion.
- C. 2019 meeting schedule presented for approval. Mr. Chairman Jackson directed it be inserted into the agenda for action.

Further his report also addressed the following Planning Activities topics:

- A. Future DWSRF Projects.
- B. State Water Plan. Mr. Callahan asked why it was not approved in the 2018 Legislative session. Mr. Cansler explained that certain Legislators were uncomfortable with the language and a successful compromise could not be reached before the end of the session.
- C. Water Utility Coordinating Committee.
- D. SCWA interaction with the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments, (SCCOG); the Connecticut Water Works Association, (CWWA); and the Water Planning Council (WPC).

A motion was made by Mr. Weiner and seconded by Ms. Smith to accept the 2019 Meeting Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports from RAB members

There were no reports from RAB members.

Mr. Chairman Jackson noted there was no new business to come before the Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Fogarty and seconded by Mr. Weiner to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 17, 2019 at the Montville Public Safety Building in Uncasville.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Malone Secretary RAB