

REGULAR MEETING
WATER AUTHORITY OF NORTH SHORE

May 31, 2023

Meeting Held at Gold Coast Library Annex, 40 Railroad Avenue,
Glen Head, New York

Present: George Pombar, Member
James Versocki, Esq. Member
John Vasilakis, Member
James Greenberg, Esq., Member
Sandeep Kapoor, M.D., MS-HPPL, Member

The meeting was also attended by Counsels T. Hopkins and B. Malik

D. Dubois, K. Mattern, A. Nadel and W. Sheeline were also in attendance.

Packets containing detailed information for all Agenda items were distributed to each Member and Counsel to the Authority.

At approximately 7:05 p.m. Mr. Versocki, serving as Chair of the meeting, called the meeting to order.

Mr. Versocki then presented the minutes of the regular meeting of March 1, 2023 for approval. On motion made by Mr. Pombar, duly seconded by Mr. Greenberg and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 1, 2023 were approved.

Mr. Versocki then presented an item regarding possible need for appointment of officers and employees. It was noted that the statute says appoint but that there was no need at this time, but there may be a need in the future for operations.

Mr. Versocki then presented an item regarding the Authority website and reminded members to submit bios for posting on the website. It was noted that Authority policies and minutes should also be posted on the website.

Mr. Versocki then presented items regarding financial institution and Authority appropriation. It was noted that the State of New York funding was received by wire at First National Bank. It was suggested that a proposed budget should be established for eventual filing with the Authorities Budget Office. With the State funding in place, it was determined that the appraisal RFP should be issued as soon as possible, preferably next week, with a return date on or about July 10, 2023. This would leave time for scheduling of interviews and a possible decision for the August 2023 meeting.

Mr. Versocki then addressed items under public service commission time line and noted that dates regarding appraisal RFP were already addressed above. No other action was taken on this item.

Mr. Versocki then addressed items under Liberty non-disclosure agreement, and Mr. Hopkins indicated that the executed agreement was forwarded to Mr. Greenblatt, attorney for Liberty.

The members then had a discussion about the need to establish a budget, determine the location of interconnections with surrounding water districts, get the website up and running so it can be used to communicate with the community, establish a public relations campaign so the community is more aware of the Authority's activities.

The Members scheduled their next regular meeting for Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Versocki then asked if there was any new business or public comment.

A. Nadal commented by expressing thanks to all for obtaining the New York State funding for Authority operations, although she was concerned that it was a lump sum appropriation instead of an annual stream of funds. She noted that there are rate increases proposed for the Liberty service areas, and the Liberty has been engaging in a public relations campaign regarding its attempts to eliminate special franchise taxes and being eligible for state infrastructure grants and low interest loans.

Following public comments, on motion made by Mr. Greenberg, duly seconded by Mr. Arena, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting.

, Secretary Pro Tem