South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority Minutes of the August 24, 2023 Meeting

The regular meeting of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("RWA" or "Authority") took place on Thursday, August 24, 2023, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and via remote access. Chairman Borowy presided.

Present: Authority – Messrs. Borowy, Curseaden (remote), Ricozzi, and Mss. LaMarr

and Sack

Management – Mss. Kowalski, Calo, Bochan, and Messrs. Bingaman, Donovan,

Hill, Lakshminarayanan, and Singh

Claire C. Bennitt Watershed Fund – Mr. Stone

Staff – Mrs. Slubowski

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

Chair Borowy offered the opportunity for members of the public to comment. There were no members of the public present.

At 12:31 p.m., on motion made by Ms. Sack, seconded by Ms. LaMarr, and unanimously carried, the Authority voted to recess the meeting to meet as the Compensation Committee.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Ave

At 2:57 p.m., the Authority reconvened and on motion made by Ms. LaMarr, seconded by Mr. Curseaden, and unanimously carried, the Authority voted to recess the meeting to meet as the Strategic Planning Committee.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 3:26 p.m., the Authority reconvened and Mr. Barger entered the meeting. On motion made by Ms. Sack, seconded by Ms. LaMarr, and unanimously carried, the Authority voted to recess the meeting to meet as the Environmental, Health & Safety Committee.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Ave

At 3:55 p.m., Mr. Barger withdrew from the meeting.

At 4:20 p.m., the Authority reconvened.

Chair Borowy stated that the Compensation Committee would be recommending approval of the CEO's compensation. On motion made by Ms. LaMarr, seconded by Ms. Sack, the Authority voted unanimously to approve the CEO's compensation for reasons discussed in executive session.

Aye
Aye
Aye
Aye
Aye

On motion made by Mr. Ricozzi, seconded by Ms. LaMarr, and unanimously carried, the Authority voted to approve, adopt, or receive, as appropriate the following items in the Consent Agenda:

- 1. Minutes of the July 27, 2023 meetings.
- 2. Capital budget authorization for September 2023.

RESOLVED, that the Vice President & Chief Financial Officer is authorized to submit to the Trustee one or more requisitions in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,400,000 for the month of September 2023 for transfer from the Construction Fund for capital expenditures. Each such requisition shall contain or be accompanied by a certificate identifying such requisition and stating that the amount to be withdrawn, pursuant to such requisition, is a proper charge to the Construction Fund. Such requisitions are approved notwithstanding the fact that amounts to be withdrawn for a particular project may exceed the amount indicated for such month and year in the current Capital Improvement Budget but will not cause the aggregate amount budgeted for fiscal year 2024 for all Capital Improvement Projects to be exceeded.

- 3. Capital budget transfer notifications detailed in Ms. Kowalski's memorandum dated August 18, 2023.
- 4. Monthly financial report for July 2023.
- 5. Accounts receivable update for July 2023.
- 6. CEO Revised Priorities for FY 2024.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

Chair Borowy summarized the Type B Amendment related to the Lake Gaillard Underdrain replacement. On motion made by Mr. Ricozzi, and seconded by Ms. LaMarr, the Authority voted unanimously to approve the Type B Amendment.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 4:23 p.m., Ms. Bochan and Mr. Stone entered the meeting.

Authority members reported on recent RPB committee meetings.

Mr. Stone, President of the Claire C. Bennitt Watershed Fund ("Fund"), provided an update of the FY 2023 Fund financials, an overview of approved grant and scholarship awards, and the annual golf tournament.

Mr. Stone also reported that four directors of the Claire C. Bennitt Watershed Fund were up for reappointment: Gordon Geballe, Catherine LaMarr, Marco Mutonji, and Rev. Prof. John Henry Scott, Esq. All four directors expressed interest in continuing to serve. After discussion, Ms. Sack moved for approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following persons be, and hereby are, reappointed as Directors of the Claire C. Bennitt Watershed Fund, Inc., to serve in such capacity until the annual meeting of the sole member in 2026, or until they otherwise lawfully cease to hold such office: Gordon Geballe, Catherine LaMarr, Marco Mutonji, Rev. Prof. John Henry Scott, Esq.

Mr. Ricozzi seconded the motion, the Chair called for the vote:

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 4:36 p.m., Mr. Stone withdrew from the meeting.

Ms. Bochan, the RWA's Director of Customer Care, provided a Customer Information System Update, which included:

- First phase milestone celebration
- Accomplishments
- Current Activities
- Next Steps

At 4:43 p.m., Ms. Bochan withdrew from the meeting.

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President & Chief Executive Officer reported:

- On a meeting with Ms. LaMarr and Ms. Kowalski to review a draft Request for Information (RFI). The draft was thorough with just a small number of items (e.g., competitive pricing and the custodian) that need to be added. They will work with Angel Pension Group to assist in moving forward with the RFI.
- A request for a special meeting regarding RWA's possible land acquisition in Cheshire.

At 4:50 p.m., on motion made by Ms. Sack, seconded by Mr. Borowy, and unanimously carried, the Authority meeting adjourned.

Borowy Aye Curseaden Aye LaMarr Aye

Ricozzi Sack	Aye Aye			
			Catherine E. LaMarr, Secretary	