

**MINUTES OF BID OPENING  
JERICHO WATER DISTRICT**

held at the office of the District in Syosset, Nassau County, New York, on the 15th day of March 2024, at 9:00 A.M.

<b>Present:</b>	Commissioner	Thomas A. Abbate
	Commissioner	James Asmus (absent)
	Commissioner	Patricia Beckerle
	Superintendent	Peter F. Logan
	Business Manager	Kathleen Cannon
	Asst. Business Manager	Amanda Blum
	Engineer	Daniella Cruz
		Dwayne Perdomo

At 9:00 A.M., the bid(s) for Contract No. C5-24, 1,4-Dioxane & PFOA Treatment at Well 22- Rebid, were received and opened. The following bids were received:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
J. Anthony Enterprises, Inc.	\$3,818,200.00
S.J. Hoerning Construction, Inc.	\$6,398,000.00
Stalco Construction, Inc.	\$6,674,000.00
WEB Construction	\$4,460,000.00
WHM Plumbing and Heating Contractors	\$4,738,800.00

The above bid results were immediately posted on the District's website and given to D&B Engineering Architects for review and recommendation to the Board.

Mr. Logan then presented to the Commissioners Contract Modification No. 7 from Rolands Electric, Inc. for Contract No. C5-21 Kirby Lane AOP – Electrical Construction, to install fiber optic cable from AOP RTU to Well No. 26 and the booster building SCADA to Well 25, in the amount of \$2,452.20. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners approved Contract Modification No. 7 from Rolands Electric, Inc. for Contract No. C5-21 Kirby Lane AOP – Electrical Construction, in the amount of \$2,452.20 to be charged to the Misc. Work Allowance line in the contract with no overall increase to the total cost of the project.

<b>VOTE</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>NOES</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>ABSENTIONS</b>	<b>0</b>
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			ABSENT			
Commissioner Beckerle			AYE			

Mr. Logan then presented to the Commissioners Contract Modification No. 8 from Rolands Electric, Inc. for Contract No. C5-21 Kirby Lane AOP – Electrical Construction, to install conduit and wire in the booster building from the SCADA to the stilling well, in the amount of \$1,157.86. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners approved Contract Modification No. 8 from Rolands Electric, Inc. for Contract No. C5-21 Kirby Lane AOP – Electrical Construction, in the amount of \$1,157.86 to be charged to the Misc. Work Allowance line in the contract with no overall increase to the total cost of the project.

VOTE	AYES	2	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			ABSENT			
Commissioner Beckerle			AYE			

Mr. Logan then informed the Commissioners that the District was served with a Notice of Claim from Gerlad Buckley, Jr. Mr. Logan indicated that he forwarded a copy of the claim to the District’s Insurance Broker, Salerno Brokerage Corp.

Mr. Logan informed the Commissioners that the District was served three (3) Summons & Complaints related to the Stillwell Lane Accident. Mr. Logan forwarded these summons to the attorney, Mr. Michael DeSantis, Esq., assigned to this case by the District’s insurance company and will keep the Commissioners apprised of the situation.

Mr. Logan then reported that he received the invoice from Bancker Construction for the emergency repair of the 10” water main on Ripley Lane in Oyster Bay on February 25, 2024 in the amount of \$56,179.76. Mr. Logan informed the Commissioners that he had reviewed the invoice and found some mathematical errors. Once the invoice is correct, Mr. Logan will present it to the Board for approval.

The Board of Commissioners expressed their desire to fund emergency water main repairs throughout the District by appropriating \$200,000.00 from the Repair Reserve (A-0880). Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that as per General Municipal Law § 6-d the District must hold a public hearing before electing to appropriate monies from the repair reserve. After discussion, the Commissioners unanimously passed the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER  
AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE REPAIR RESERVE  
FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDING FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS  
TO WATER MAINS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners approved appropriated funds be set aside for the purpose of establishing a Repair Reserve Fund in accordance with § 6-d of General Municipal Law; and

**WHEREAS**, effective March 11, 2024 the Repair Reserve Fund (A-0880) had a balance of \$1,197,677.56, and

**WHEREAS**, within the first two months of 2024 the District experienced three (3) major water main breaks that required the District to utilize the requirements contract for emergency water main repairs, contract no. G2-23 with Bancker Construction Corp. at an estimated cost of \$160,000.00

**WHEREAS**, the first break occurred on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 on Sugar Tom's Lane, East Norwich, when a 65 year old cast iron water main broke, causing a flooding condition and loss of potable water to the residents in the surrounding area, and

**WHEREAS**, the water main was located approximately twelve (12) to fourteen (14) feet below ground, making the repair dangerous without the proper specialized shoring equipment, which is not part of the District's safety equipment inventory, and

**WHEREAS**, the two (2) other water main breaks (February 8<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>) occurred on New York State Road 25A, one west of Wolver Hollow Rd. and the other at the intersection with Ripley Lane, and

**WHEREAS**, traffic safety being a priority, especially due to the high rate of speed with which vehicles travel, limited sight distance, and the location in which the broken valve was situated, and

**WHEREAS**, additional traffic control, lighting and truck attenuators were needed to protect both vehicles traveling past the worksite as well as workers making the repair, none of which the district possesses, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 operating budget, based on a five (5) year average, only set aside \$45,000.00 for emergency water main repairs, leaving a shortfall of \$115,000.00 with ten (10) months of the year remaining, and

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners would like to appropriate \$200,000.00 for the Repair Reserve to cover the budget shortfall and anticipated future 2024 water main breaks, and

**WHEREAS**, General Municipal Law § 6-d requires the District hold a public hearing before electing to appropriate moneys from a repair reserve with at least five days' notice between the publication of the notice of hearing and the date specified for the hearing, and

**WHEREAS**, the funding of capital improvement projects from the repair reserve in the Jericho Water District is a Type II action pursuant to SEQRA as defined by 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5 (c)(1)(2) and therefore no further SEQRA review is required; and

**NOW THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners hereby schedules a public hearing to be held on the 29th of March 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the Jericho Water District, 125 Convent Rd., Syosset, New York to consider appropriating \$200,000.00 from the Repair Reserve (A-0880) fund for the purpose of providing additional funding for emergency water main repairs throughout the District; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Treasurer/Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a Notice of Hearing in the District’s official newspaper at least five days before the hearing date of March 29th, 2024.

VOTE	AYES	2	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			ABSENT			
Commissioner Beckerle			AYE			

Mr. Logan discussed with the Commissioners several upcoming projects that will need funding. They are as follows:

- Request for Proposals for power washing of the Wheatley Tank. The preliminary cost estimate for this project is \$22,000.00.
- Upgrade to the Exacqvision software used by Johnson Controls (JCI) to monitor the security cameras at all of the District’s sites. The cost of the upgrade for a three (3) year contract is \$12,575.09. Miss Cannon requested that Mr. look into a cloud-based system, which may assist with keeping the software up to date going forward.
- Several years back, the District contracted with Impact Architecture to design a new boardroom. Mr. Logan stated that the District still has the design, as long as the Board is in agreement with the design, the project could be bid out in-house. This work would be done in 2025, with funding budgeted in the 2025 operating budget.
- Purchase an 85” flat screen monitor to be used to display the district map and the District’s fledgling GIS system. Along with the monitor, Mr. Logan would like to purchase three (3) laptops that could be used on this workstation by service department employees.

Miss Cannon stated that she would develop a plan with Mr. Logan to fund these items. Mr. Logan will come back to the board at a future meeting for approval and budget transfers.

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that she received the bid results from Roslyn Water District’s bid for the Purchase of Liquid Caustic Soda received on February 15, 2024. The bid was awarded to JCI Jones Chemical for the period of March 25, 2024 through March 25, 2025 at a cost of \$45.92/dry CWT for delivery of 3,000 gallons, two (2) drops. The Jericho Water District will “piggyback” off the Roslyn Water District bid under the terms of the Long Island Water Conference Purchasing Cooperative (LIWCPC). After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to purchase caustic soda from JCI Jones Chemical based upon the Roslyn Water District’s contract for these services.

Miss Cannon then requested that the Commissioners approve the following budget transfer to fund Chemical pump parts:

A-8330-000-2025	Chemical Pumps & Analyzers	(\$7,500.00)
A-8330-000-4653	Chemical Pump Parts/Repairs	\$7,500.00

After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners authorize the budget transfer.

VOTE	AYES	2	NOES	0	ABSENTIONS	0
Commissioner Abbate			AYE			
Commissioner Asmus			ABSENT			
Commissioner Beckerle			AYE			

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that she received the following four (4) requests to waive penalties:

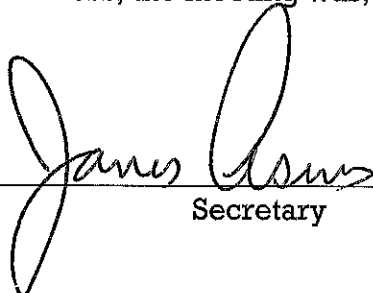
1. Account No. 25909800-0 in the amount of \$66.10.
2. Account No. 45461601-2 in the amount of \$77.35.
3. Account No. 46446300-0 in the amount of \$241.22.
4. Account No. 26916300-2 in the amount of \$262.22.

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that no penalty on the above accounts had been waived in the last five (5) years. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Miss Cannon to waive penalties on the accounts listed above and instructed her to send revised bills to the consumers.

At 9:31 am, the Commissioners went into Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal matters and no action was taken.

The following claims were then audited and approved for payment: General Fund #28270 to #28291 and Construction Fund #2721.

There being no further business, the meeting was, upon motion duly made and seconded and adjourned.

  
Secretary