

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
of
JERICHO WATER DISTRICT

held at the office of the District in Syosset, Nassau County, New York, on the 4th day of March 2026, at 8:30 A.M.

Present:	Commissioners	Thomas A. Abbate Patricia Beckerle Gregory S. Morley Gregory W. Carman Jr. Peter F. Logan Kathleen Cannon Amanda Blum William D. Merklin James Van Horn
	Attorney	
	Superintendent	
	Business Manager	
	Asst. Business Manager	
	Engineer(s)	

Commissioner Abbate called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes of the previous meeting(s) were read and approved unanimously.

Monthly report of the Engineer was read and ordered filed.

1. Budget Report: D&B prepared an ongoing project budget summary report.
2. Well 20 & 21 AOP Treatment: The security vendor work remains outstanding and is delaying EC contract closeout.
3. Well 22 Facility Improvements & AOP Treatment: Electrical power has been connected and the generator has been delivered. Work is progressing with a best-case date for an operational facility in late May. Surveyor will start property line work when the weather permits.
4. Kirby Lane AOP: MC and EC are preparing contract close out documents. D&B has provided follow-up information to the attorney for negotiations with Stalco.
5. Southwoods Road - New Well and Treatment Facility: Contractors are working on punch list. Final shake out and startup are ongoing with minor items remaining. Change order pending installation of trees in front of the generator.
6. PTAS at the Wheatley Rd. Site (Well 6 & 16): Generator manufacturer has provided the certification for the generator. MCC manufacturer is requesting full payment from Wire to Water before submitting as-built shop drawings.

7. Split Rock Tank Booster Station: D&B is working with the contractors to close out the contracts. Change order for generator repairs.

Mr. Merklin then presented to the Commissioners Change Order No. 10 from Bensin Contracting Inc. for Contract No. C3-22, Installation of the Pre-Fabricated Booster Station at the Split Rock Standpipe for generator work in the amount of \$3,514.00 to be charged to the general allowance of the contract. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners approve Change Order No. 10 from Bensin Contracting Inc. for Contract No. C3-22, Installation of the Pre-Fabricated Booster Station in the amount of \$3,514.00 to be charged to the general allowance of the contract with no overall increase to the cost of the project.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

8. Pump Rehabilitation Projects:

- Well 30: Pump installation schedule has been requested.
- Kirby Booster Pumps: Pump installation schedule has been requested.
- Stone Hill Booster Pumps: D&B is reviewing recommended pump repairs on the second pump.
- Juneau Booster Pumps: Tentative schedule for installation is mid-April 2026. Pumps will be installed one at a time without interrupting facility operation.

9. Water Service Gooseneck Replacement: Conformed contracts have been sent to the attorney for execution. D&B has prepared a proposal for Construction Phase services.

Mr. Merklin then presented to the Commissioners a proposal from D&B Engineers and Architects D.P.C. to submit a revised proposal to provide assistance during the construction phase for the Water Service Gooseneck Replacement project for Contract No. C7-25 for the not to exceed fee of \$130,000.00. The not to exceed fee for the project includes \$45,000.00 for Construction Services, \$16,000.00 for Design Services during Construction (DSDC), \$48,000.00 for Lead and Copper Rule Compliance Assistance, \$9,000.00 for Part-Time Inspections and \$12,000.00 for Progress and Scheduling Meetings. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners approve D&B's proposal for Engineering Services for the not to exceed amount of \$130,000.00 to be charged to Capital Project Account No. H-8397-014-2300 Service Connection Replacement.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

10. The Hunt Club Road Water Main Connection: NTP will be issued and work will commence as weather allows. D&B is reviewing shop drawings in preparation.
11. Treatment at Wells 18, 19 & 29: The draft BODR has been submitted for JWD review.
12. Juneau Pump Station Improvements: D&B is verifying that punch list is completed. Some fence work and O&M Manual remain outstanding.
13. Jericho Tank Rehabilitation: Tank filling and sampling are underway. Pending Change Order for additional piping work requested by the District.
14. GIS Improvements: D&B is preparing a "How To" manual for JWD staff.
15. Sugar Toms Lane Water Main replacement: Construction work will commence as weather allows.
16. Wells 23 AOP: D&B will submit a draft BODR this week. This will identify the proposed scope of work and include the updated construction cost estimate. D&B will prepare a proposal amendment based on the scope included in the final BODR. D&B will contact EFC when the scope and budget estimate have been established.
17. Muttontown Pressure Zone: D&B has updated the memorandum to address Board comments.

Mr. Merklin presented to the Commissioners the final Muttontown Pressure Zone memorandum. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commissioners approved the Muttontown Pressure Zone Evaluation Memorandum and instructed Mr. Logan to transmit the adopted memorandum to the developer for Silver Path Estates.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

18. PFAS Treatment at Wells 27 & 28: D&B is updating the scoping memorandum to address JWD comments. D&B will prepare an updated budgetary cost estimate. D&B is assisting JWD with a response to the EFC Missing Items Letter.
19. LIU Post Distribution Mapping: D&B sent a draft proposal for review for assisting the District with mapping of JWD and LIU Post water mains.
20. Grant Funding Opportunities: D&B is preparing grant applications due on May 29th.

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that Congressman Suozzi is accepting grant applications FY 2027 for Congressional Directed Spending (CDS) until March 6, 2026. Senator Schumer is accepting grant applications FY 2027 CDS until March 22, 2026. D&B will send JWD a draft to review and submit applications on behalf of the District in the required deadlines.

21. Valentine Lane Water Main: D&B has addressed JWD comments on the draft drawings and is preparing the NCDOH submittal. Soil borings have been completed. Waiting for the report. Waiting for NYSDEC response to permit application.
22. Merry Lane Piping Modifications: Well 9 mark-out and survey will commence following tank piping work completion. Draft drawings have been submitted to JWD.
23. Merry Lane Brine Tank: D&B submitted a proposal amendment for retaining the manufacturer to perform the cleaning and inspection work.

Mr. Merklin then presented to the Commissioners a proposal amendment for third party cleaning and inspection of Merry Lane Facility Brine Saturator Tank Emergency Services in not to exceed amount of \$14,245.00 thereby amending the current approved fee of \$10,000.00 to \$24,245.00. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners approve D&B's proposal amendment for to their January 2026 Engineering Services proposal to include third party cleaning and inspection for the brine saturator tank emergency in the not to exceed fee of \$14,245.00 thereby amending their current approved fee from \$10,000.00 to \$24,245.00 to be charged to Operating Account No. A-8340-000-4430 Engineering Services.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE

Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

24. Merry Lane Unit Heaters: D&B is doing preliminary evaluation to determine if the electric service and generator have capacity for the proposed heaters.
25. Requirements Contracts: D&B has submitted the draft Pump Maintenance Contract for JWD review. Draft GAC Pre-Purchase contract will be submitted this week.
26. Emerging Contaminant Tracking for Capital Planning: D&B has started compiling and summarizing the data.
27. Annual Water Quality Report (AWQR): D&B is preparing the first draft summary table.
28. Propel New York Project Assistance: JWD and D&B met with WSP, the engineer for Propel on February 18th. D&B is estimating costs for water main repairs and replacements for submittal to WSP.
29. Well 3 AOP: D&B submitted the updated draft Scoping Memorandum to address JWD comments. A proposal for design and bidding will follow. The grant application for this project will be included in the scope of work for the design.
30. Frost Pond Area Water Main Improvements: D&B has prepared a map and cost estimate for the water mains impacted by the planned TOB paving work in the Frost Pond Area.
31. 2026 Capital Plan Update: D&B submitted a proposal for this project. A meeting is scheduled for March 25th to kick off the Capital Plan updates.

Mr. Merklin then presented to the Commissioners a proposal from D&B Engineers and Architects D.P.C. to provide engineering services to update the District's Five-Year Capital Plan for 2027. D&B will prepare an annual update to the Capital Plan for use in preparing budgets and planning capital improvements in the not to exceed fee of \$21,500.00. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commissioners approve D&B's proposal to provide engineering services to update the District's Five-Year Capital Plan for 2027 in the amount of \$21,500.00 to be charged to Operating Account No. A-8340-000-4430 Engineering Services.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE

Commissioner Morley AYE

Status of Proposed Development Projects – Engineers Report

1. Woodbury Hills: Contract documents have been approved by NCDOH. A Developers Agreement has been sent to the developer. A bid date will be established after payment is received.
2. Silver Path Estates Subdivision: The Muttontown Pressure Zone Evaluation Memorandum was officially adopted today and will be transmitted to the developer.
3. Farnam Subdivision: Application and initial deposit from developer have been received. Mr. Logan requested CCI to submit a proposal for full easement title search, securing title insurance policy, drafting of easement(s) and fees to record the easement(s).
4. Grandville Gardens Subdivision: No action required unless developer makes a request for further evaluation of water availability.
5. TOB Miller Place Water Main Extension: The Town has indicated that this project is on hold.
6. Bhooma Subdivision: Waiting for application and initial deposit from developer prior to preparing a proposal.
7. Country Club Developers: D&B prepared draft language for JWD to address developer's request for easement modifications.
8. Whitney Estates: CCI to submit a proposal for full easement title search, securing title insurance policy, drafting of easement(s) and fees to record the easement(s). CCI to draft Deposit for Design Agreement. Waiting for developer to submit payment prior to starting design work.
9. 2340 Cedar Swamp: Waiting for initial application fee from developer.
10. Village of Matinecock Drainage Thorne Lane: JWD is researching information on the existing mains to inform D&B's proposal.

The Board of Commissioners went into executive session at 9:21 AM to discuss legal matters and re-entered at 9:35 AM with no action taken.

Mr. Logan reported that all analysis of wells and bacteriological sampling for the period of February 18, 2026, to March 3, 2026, had been completed and all were within state and federal standards.

Mr. Logan reported that he had received an email from TRC Companies, who is doing remediation work for the NYSDEC at a site located at 601 Cantiague Rock Rd., Westbury. This location is a recognized super fund site, and the work that TRC is required to perform needs a supply of water. Their initial request was for the use of a fire hydrant for approximately two (2) years. Mr. Logan is going to work it out so that they use the existing water service to the property.

Mr. Logan then requested authorization to hire Christopher Ramaizel as a Water Servicer Trainee contingent upon Nassau County Civil Service approval, reference check, background check and pre-employment drug test. His tentative start date is April 7, 2026. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that Christopher Ramaizel be hired as a Water Servicer Trainee as of April 7, 2026, contingent upon Nassau County Civil Service approval, reference check, background check and pre-employment drug test.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

Miss Cannon then presented and reviewed with the Commissioners a Cash Balance/Cash Deposit report as of March 2nd, 2026. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Miss Cannon then presented and reviewed with the Commissioners a Purchase Order by Expense Account Report listing all purchase orders issued between February 18, 2026, and March 2, 2026. After discussion, the report was ordered filed.

Miss Cannon reported that the Bank Reconciliations for the month of February 2026 were completed. After discussion, the Commissioners ordered the Bank Reconciliations filed.

Miss Cannon then requested authorization to transfer \$3,000,000.00 from the ConnectOne General Fund Checking Account to the ConnectOne General Fund Investment Account in order to maximize interest earnings. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized the transfer.

Miss Cannon then reported that she reviewed preliminary financial data for the year ended December 31, 2025 with Cullen & Danowski (the District's Audit Firm), the unreserved fund balance at year end would be approximately \$12,366,000.00. Miss Cannon recommended that the Commissioners reduce the unreserved undesignated fund

balance to achieve a target level equal to approximately 25% to 30% of the 2026 Adopted Operating Budget by appropriating \$5,750,000.00 to various reserve funds as follows:

A-0909	Unreserved/ Undesignated Fund Balance	(\$5,750,000.00)
A-0878	Capital Improvement Reserve	\$5,000,000.00
A-0880	Repair Reserve	\$ 250,000.00
A-0915	Unreserved Fund Balance Designated for Debt Service	\$ 250,000.00
A-0916	Unreserved Fund Balance Designated <u>For Emerging Contaminants</u>	\$ 250,000.00
	Total Reserve Funds	\$5,750,000.00

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

RESOLVED that the District appropriate fund balance and transfer \$5,250,000.00 from the ConnectOne General Fund Investment Account to the NYCLASS Capital Improvement Reserve in the amount of 5,000,000.00 and NYCLASS Repair Reserve in the amount of \$250,000.00.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

Miss Cannon then requested the Commissioners authorize the following budget transfer(s):

To fund increased costs for Medicare Reimbursements for retirees

A-9060-000-8075	Medicare Reimbursement	\$12,241.40
A-9030-000-8030	Social Security	(\$ 5,000.00)
A-9040-000-8040	Worker's Compensation	(\$ 5,000.00)
A-9060-000-8060	Hospital & Medical Insurance	(\$ 2,241.40)

To fund additional engineering projects for 2026 (Capital Plan & Merry Lane Tank Inspection & Cleaning)

A-8340-000-4430	Engineering	\$30,545.00
A-8330-000-4450	Lab Testing	(\$10,545.00)
A-8330-000-2025	Chemical Pumps & Analyzers	(\$10,000.00)
A-8340-000-4650	Repairs to Wells & Distribution	(\$10,000.00)

After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the budget transfer(s):

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

Miss Cannon then requested the Commissioners authorized the following budget amendment(s):

To increase Budget for Expenditure and Revenue due to BAN resizing (2025 entry)

Expense	A-9730-000-6000	BANs Principal	\$535,000.00
Revenue	A-8310-0599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$535,000.00

To reduce budget for Well No. 22 AOP to reflect Return of Funds to TOB (2026 entry)

Expense	H-8397-020-2303	Well No. 22 AOP System	\$1,866,098.30
Revenue	H-7020-5710	Well No. 22 AOP System	\$1,866,098.30

After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the budget amendment(s):

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

Miss Cannon then informed the Commissioners that she received the first half of the taxes collected by the Town of Oyster Bay in the gross amount of \$6,926,786.76; \$5,092,842.36 for Ad Valorem Taxes, \$494,249.19 for 2025 water bills in arrears that the County attached to consumers tax bills, \$714,215.57 in interest, \$438,952.64 in BAN Premium for 2025, \$183,225.00 for 2025 PILOT Revenue and \$3,302.00 for 2024 PILOT revenue. The Town of Oyster Bay deducted \$4,404,617.50 to pay the District's first half required debt service payment resulting in a net check of \$2,552,169.26.

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that the District received a \$15,000.00 Settlement for Contract No. C9-22, Construction of Well 33. The Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release was approved and executed by the Board of Commissioners at their meeting on January 7, 2026. The \$15,000.00 in expenditures were initially paid by the Town of Oyster Bay under the 2019 bond authorizations and subsequently reimbursed by the Settlement Agreement. Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that the District is required to return the \$15,000.00 in funds to the Town of Oyster Bay and make these funds available for current and future capital projects. After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED that the Commissioners approve returning \$15,000.00 in funds received from the Settlement Agreement for Contract No. C9-22, Construction of Well 33 and request the Town to deposit said funds in the District's revenue accounts for grant funding and increase the corresponding bond authorization expenditure accounts.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

RESOLUTION TO LIST CAPITAL PROJECTS ON THE DRINKING WATER STATE RESOLVING FUND'S (DWSRF) INTENDED USE PLAN (IUP) FOR 2027 PREPARED BY THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (NYSDOH) AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (NYSEFC) AND APPLY FOR GRANTS ADMINISTERED BY THE NYSDOH AND NYSEFC UNDER THE NYS WATER INFRASTRUCURE IMPROVEMENT ACT (WIIA) AND/OR THE DWSRF THROUGH THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT (IIJA)

Discussion was then held with regard to the requirement to list all capital projects the District desires to seek grants and/or low interest financing for under the DWSRF on their Intended Use Plan (IUP) for 2027. Grants are typically available under the NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) and the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA), formerly known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), for current infrastructure projects that protect public health and/or water quality. Both grant types are administered jointly by the NYSDOH and NYSEFC, with WIIA funds appropriated through NYS capital appropriations for water infrastructure projects (that may be used as co-funding for DWSRF projects) and IIJA funding through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) from US EPA congressional appropriations. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to improving drinking water treatment, including removal of emerging contaminants such as PFAS, fixing leaky or old pipes for water distribution, improving water supply source or replacing or constructing finished water storage tanks. Typically these construction projects qualify to receive a grant funding of up to 70% of net eligible project costs with no cap for projects addressing emerging contaminants that exceed maximum contaminant level(s) (MCL(s)) or the lesser of \$5 million or 60% of net eligible project costs for a project that does not address emerging contaminants or in which emerging contaminants do not exceed the current MCL(s). The opening of the 2026 NYS WIIA grant application period has not been announced as of the date of this Resolution.

Miss Cannon reported that the following projects would qualify for funding under these grants:

1. Convent Road Well No. 3, Emerging Contaminants Treatment
2. Convent Road Well No. 4, Emerging Contaminants Treatment
3. Well No. 13 PFAS Treatment

4. Well No. 17 PFAS Treatment

Miss Cannon then presented to the Commissioners the following resolution to authorize the District to list projects on the IUP (for consideration of WIIA and IJA Grants) and to submit grant applications under WIIA when available. The deadline to list projects on the 2027 IUP is May 29, 2026.

WHEREAS, for consideration of grant funds administered by the NYSDOH and NYSEFC for NYS WIIA and IJA Grants, the District must list eligible projects on the DWSRF IUP; and

WHEREAS, the NYSEFC and the NYSDOH announced that applications for construction projects to be included on the 2027 IUP must be submitted by 5 PM on May 29, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Jericho Water District believes itself to be qualified for multiple NYS WIIA and IJA Grants, and is willing to comply with all requirements described in the grant applications, and

WHEREAS, in this action, the Jericho Water District will upon an award, and acceptance of a grant, agree to the terms of the grant, and

WHEREAS, one of the requirements of the NYSEFC is that the Commissioners appoint authorized representatives of the District to oversee all financial and administrative requirements for NYS WIIA and IJA grants administered by the NYSDOH and NYSEFC, including but not limited to authorizing execution of funding agreement and related documents as well as authorization to execute the EFC Agreement, and

WHEREAS, another requirement of the NYSEFC is that the Commissioners are required to appoint a Minority Business Officer (MBO) as the official contact person to administer the Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) documentation and function as a liaison between the NYSEFC and the prime contractors, and

NOW THEREFORE, after discussion and due deliberation, and in consideration of the above recitals, the Board Unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Jericho Water District authorizes the submittal of grant applications for NYS WIIA grants and authorizes the submittal of construction projects to be listed on DWSRF's IUP for 2027 for consideration of IJA grants and assigns Superintendent Peter F. Logan and Business Manager Kathleen Cannon to be the Authorized Representatives of the District, it was

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize Superintendent Peter F. Logan and Business Manager, Kathleen Cannon to be representatives of the District for all previously approved grants and future grant applications including but not

limited to project nos. 17861, 18686, 18782, 19003, 19005, 19081, 19393, 19580, 19581, 19582, 19822 and 19907, it was

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Jericho Water District requests the funds and assistance available from the NYS WIIA and/or IIA grants administered by the NYSDOH and NYSEFC and will comply with all rules and requirements of both programs, it was

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioners appoint Kathleen Cannon, Business Manager, as the District's MBO Officer for any NYS grants administered by the NYSDOH and NYSEFC.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

Discussion was held regarding the missing items list of documents for NYS EFC for the Well 27 & 28 PFAS Treatment Project (Project No. D0-19907) required for the Grant Agreement. The deadline to comply with the missing items list is March 6, 2026. The Commissioners requested Miss Cannon to work with D&B Architects & Engineers on a response letter asking for an extension of time to submit all required documents.

Miss Cannon then informed the Commissioners that she received a request to waive the following penalty:

1. Account No. 21405240-0 in the amount of \$227.92.

Miss Cannon informed the Commissioners that no penalty on any of the above account had been waived in the last five (5) years. After discussion, the Commissioners authorized Miss Cannon to waive the penalty and send a revised bill to the customer.

VOTE AYES: 3 NOES: 0 ABSENTIONS: 0

Commissioner Abbate AYE
Commissioner Beckerle AYE
Commissioner Morley AYE

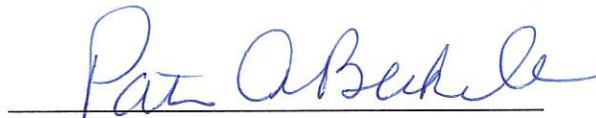
Miss Cannon presented to the Commissioners a letter from Mr. Michael Bogusky of the Investigative Office for the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) explaining the changes under NY Labor Law Article 8, Section 220. Effective December 31st, 2025, certified payrolls shall be submitted by contractors hired for prevailing wage projects directly to NYSDOL. Contracting agencies no longer have to collect certified payroll from the contractor unless requested by the agency, or if submission of certified payroll is stated in the project contract. Beginning December 30, 2024, contractors and their subcontractors

performing work on prevailing wage projects under Article 8 are required to register with NYSDOL and provide proof of registration to contracting agencies in order to bid on a project contract. The letter outlined information regarding Contracting Agencies' responsibilities as well as guidelines and requirements for Prevailing Wage Projects. A discussion was held regarding the NYSDOL updates. JWD also provided D&B with updated procedure for bidding and contracts which includes updated NYSDOL requirements. Mr. Carman will work with D&B to update contract language for future bids.

The pending agenda items list was read, discussed, and filed.

The following claims were then audited and approved for payment: General Fund #30256 to #30282 and Construction Fund #2869 to #2870.

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


Secretary