

MNRECC MINUTES

JUNE 29, 2022 BOARD MEETING

Roll Call: Chief Wiley, Captain Colandra (for Winthrop Town Manager Marino), Jay Mazzola, Deputy Goodwin (for Chief Delehanty), Rich Viscay (for Mayor Arrigo), Chief Bright

Excused: Chief Callahan

Also present were Director Belmonte and Assistant Director Morgan

Meeting called to order at 11:08 at AM.

Motion to accept the minutes from the May 18, 2022 board meeting:

- **Motion:** Deputy Goodwin, **seconded**, Chief Wiley
- **Motion passed** (Mr. Viscay abstained from the vote because he was not present for the May meeting).

Motion to table the minutes from the April board meeting:

- **Motion:** Chief Wiley, **seconded**, Mr. Mazzola
- **Motion passed unanimously**

Motion to enter into Executive Session: Motion to enter into executive session in accordance with G.L. c. 40A, sec. 21(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to pending litigation, as an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the board's litigation position. (Javery v. MNRECC, DIA No. 14416.17).

- **Motion:** Deputy Goodwin, **seconded**, Chief Wiley
- **Motion passed unanimously after roll call vote**
- **Entered Executive Session at 11:12 AM**

Motion to come out of Executive Session and return to regular order of business:

- **Motion:** Chief Wiley, **seconded**, Mr. Viscay
- **Motion passed unanimously after roll call vote**
- **Returned to regular order of business at 11:16 AM**

Director's Report:

- Director reported on operations and the current staffing shortages. Director received 400 resumes. Four (4) candidates are currently training. Two (2) are training beginning July 7th, and two (2) more sometime in August. Also started the process to promote two (2) dispatchers to the rank of supervisor with three (3) candidate interviews scheduled for July 6th.
- Discussion on Revere Police providing policies and procedures to assist in guiding the dispatchers with police calls. Director Belmonte and Assistant Director Morgan met with Lieutenant Randal of the RPD to resolve some of the issues regarding panic alarms. No one was present at meeting from RPD to update on their policies and procedures for the MNRECC. Consequently, the board will have to carry this issue over, and place it on the agenda for resolution at the next board meeting to be held in September 2022.

The regular order of business was suspended to take a conference call from Rockland Trust to discuss with the board the OPEB account investment options for the MNRECC trust fund.

Motion to set up the OPEB liability trust account with Rockland Trust.

- **Motion:** Mr. Viscay, **seconded**, Mr. Mazzola
- **Motion passed unanimously**

Motion to adopt the provisions of Chapter 203C on Prudent Investment:

- **Motion:** Mr. Mazzola, **seconded**, Mr. Viscay
- **Motion passed unanimously**

Motion to invite Rockland Trust to the September board meeting to explore investment options:

- **Motion:** Mr. Viscay, **seconded**, Mr. Mazzola
- **Motin passed unanimously**

Director's Report (Continued):

- Director seeking clarification on policy from Winthrop Police Chief Delehanty after confusion during an event regarding calling the SWAT team.
- Resident William Bono very disruptive to the MNRECC. Mr. Bono has logged hundreds of willfully malicious phone calls to the dispatch. Director Belmonte is looking for suggestions on getting a handle on the situation through Attorney Zessin and/or the Revere Police Department.

Motion to have Director Belmonte to work with the Police Chief's Callahan and Delehanty, and Attorney Zessin to explore legal options and assist the Director in curtailing the disruptive call-in behavior of Mr. Bono.

Motion: Mr. Viscay, **seconded**, Chief Wiley

Motion passed unanimously

- Funds were approved for the MNRECC to proceed with a feasibility study in the amount of \$75,000 dollars. Jennifer dos Sanos was selected the Project Manager for this job and she will assist with the selection of the architect. Time-line for the feasibility study is 4-6 months.
- The Telecommunicator Emergency Response Team has been activated in Massachusetts.
- Director request transfer of \$2,000 dollars from Health & Dental (51701) to New Employee Screening (53020) to cover outstanding invoices to Fastest Labs.

Motion to transfer the \$2,000 dollars from Health & Dental to New Employee Screening to cover outstanding invoices.

- **Motion: Mr. Viscay, seconded, Deputy Goodwin**
- **Motion passed unanimously**

Motion to table the Treasurers report:

- **Motion: Mr. Viscay, seconded, Deputy Goodwin**
- **Motion passed unanimously**

New Business:

Motion to move \$100,000 dollars from the FY2022 budget and move it to the MNRECC reserve account.

Motion: Mr. Viscay, seconded, Deputy Goodwin

Motion passed unanimously

Motion to review the results of the final FY22 budget actual to budget statements.

Motion: Mr. Viscay, seconded, Mr. Mazzola

Motion passed unanimously

Motion to change the MNRECC meetings from the third Wednesday back to the second Wednesday of the month.

Motion: Deputy Goodwin, seconded, Mr. Viscay

Motion passed unanimously

Old Business:

Mr. Viscay seeking clarification on the IMA provision regarding 7th board member.

Motion to review and discuss the IMA 7th board member provision at the September meeting.

Motion: Deputy Goodwin, seconded, Mr. Viscay

Election of FY2023 MNRECC Board Officers:

The Chairperson goes to the Town of Winthrop for this fiscal year.

Motion to nominate Chief Delehanty as Chairperson

Motion: Chief Wiley, seconded, Mr. Viscay

Motion passed unanimously Chief Delehanty elected Chairperson for FY23

Motion to nominate Chief Wiley as Vice-Chairperson

Motion: Deputy Goodwin, seconded, Captain Colandra

Motion to nominate Chief Bright as Treasurer

Motion: Mr. Mazzola, seconded, Mr. Viscay

Motion passed unanimously

Motion to invite Attorney Zessin to the September meeting to discuss the 7th board member provision in the IMA

Motion: Mr. Viscay, seconded, Deputy Goodwin

Motion passed unanimously

Motion to adjourn unanimously at 11:58 AM.