

SECOND TAXING DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2020

Present:	David Westmoreland	Chairperson
	Maria Borges-Lopez	Vice Chairperson
	Harold Bonnet	
	Robert Burgess	
	Mary Mann	
	Sandra Stokes	
Absent:	Martha Wooten-Dumas	
Also Present:	Lisa Roland	District Clerk
	Kara Murphy, Esq.	Tierney, Zullo, Flaherty & Murphy
Public Present:	none	

Executive Session portions of this meeting were not recorded.

Call To Order:

Commissioner Westmoreland called the Special Meeting of The Second Taxing District to order at 7:06 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14th, 2020. The meeting was held via Web Video Conference Call originating in Fairfield County, Connecticut.

Public Participation: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Discussion concerning the appointment, employment, or health of a public officer or employee pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes section 1-200(6).
2. Discussion of confidential commercial or financial information pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes sections 1-200(6)(E), 1-210(b)(5), and 16-262c.

Commissioner Stokes moved to enter Executive Session at 7:07 p.m. Commissioner Mann seconded. The Commissioners (except for Commissioner Wooten-Dumas), Attorney Kara Murphy, and District Clerk Lisa Roland were present.

Commissioner Borges-Lopez moved to exit Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. Commissioner Burgess seconded.

As a result of Executive Session, the following resolution relating to the appointment of Alan Huth as Acting Interim General Manager was voted on:

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT ALAN HUTH AS ACTING INTERIM GENERAL MANAGER

WHEREAS, Paul Yatcko, the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of The Second Taxing District of the City of Norwalk (“the District”) and South Norwalk Electric and Water (“SNEW”), retired effective March 6, 2020;

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2020, the District Commission appointed Steven Sax as Interim General Manager with a commencement date effective upon the retirement of Paul Yatcko;

WHEREAS, due to an unforeseen illness, Mr. Sax is not currently able to complete his duties, and it is not known when he will be able to return to the District and SNEW;

WHEREAS, the current search for a permanent replacement for the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer has been temporarily suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, Alan Huth has been Director of Water Operations for the District since 2018, previously worked for Aquarion Water Company, and is familiar with District operations; and

WHEREAS, the District Commission must ensure the continued operations of the District and SNEW during this period of transition and in light of the COVID-19 pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, the District Commission herein appoints Alan Huth as Acting Interim General Manager of the District and SNEW with the following terms, conditions, and qualifications of his appointment:

Resolved, that during his term as Acting Interim General Manager, Mr. Huth shall have all of the duly authorized powers of the office of the General Manager and CEO as set forth in the job description for aforementioned position in addition to his day to day position as Director of Water Operations;

Resolved, that the appointment of Mr. Huth as Acting Interim General Manager shall continue on a day to day, as needed basis, at the will of the District Commissioners, and shall terminate upon the commencement of employment by the new General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of the District and SNEW or upon such future time or action as designated by the District Commission;

Resolved, that the Chairman of the District Commission may negotiate a supplemental stipend subject to all Federal and State withholding taxes and benefit contributions not to exceed \$175,000 a year on a prorated monthly basis to compensate Mr. Huth for the additional duties of Acting Interim General Manager;

Resolved, that Mr. Huth shall immediately commence his duties as Acting Interim General Manager upon the passage of this resolution.

Dated on this 14^h day of April 2020 at Norwalk, Connecticut.

Lisa Roland
District Clerk

Commissioner Borges-Lopez moved to accept the resolution. Commissioner Burgess seconded. **The above resolution was approved unanimously.**

The second resolution directs CMEEC to withdrawn \$660,000 from our [District's] rate stabilization fund, held at CMEEC, and apply to our purchase power bill which will enable the application of a \$50 credit to each electric customer account for the next two billing cycles.

Commissioner Borges-Lopez moved to accept the resolution. Commissioner Burgess seconded. **The resolution was approved unanimously.**

Adjournment

Commissioner Mann moved to adjourn. Commissioner Borges-Lopez seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Attest:

Lisa G. Roland
District Clerk