

MIRA Dissolution Authority Finance Committee
January 10, 2024
Meeting Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Finance Committee of the MIRA Dissolution Authority was held on January 10, 2024. Present via video or audio conferencing were:

- Committee Present: Paul Harrington (Committee Chairperson)
Bill Beccaro (arrived late)
Matt Dayton
Dave Steuber (via Zoom initially)
Bert Hunter (ex Officio – Board of Directors Chairperson)
- Other Directors Present: Joseph DeNicola (via Zoom)
Carl Fortuna (via Zoom)
- Other Members Present: William DiBella
- Authority Staff Present; Mark Daley, President and CFO
Roger Guzowski, Supply Chain Manager
Cheryl Kaminsky, Comptroller (via Zoom)
Tom Gaffey, Director of Recycling and Enforcement
Chris Shepard, Environmental Compliance Manager
Dave Bodendorf, Manager of Engineering, Construction and Power Assets

Note: The meeting was recorded and can be viewed at www.ctmira.org/board-documents/mira-dissolution-authority-board-documents/mira-dissolution-authority-finance-meetings

Committee Chairperson Harrington called the meeting to order at 9:33a.m. Following a roll call, Committee Chair Harrington invited members of the public to address the Committee. As there was no public comment, he proceeded with the agenda.

1. REVIEW AND APPROVIE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 29, 2023 MEETING

The motion to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2023 meeting of the Finance Committee was raised by Director Dayton and seconded by Director Harrington. Chairperson Hunter requested that in the future the minutes reflect the other Directors and Members in attendance other than those on the Committee. The minutes were approved by roll call:

	Raised	Second	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Paul Harrington, Committee Chair		X	X		
Bill Beccaro					Not yet joined
Matt Dayton	X		X		
Dave Steuber			X		

Note: Director Steuber was having microphone issues during the vote and affirmed his vote during the next resolution.

2. REVIEW AND APPROVE DRAFT RESOLUTION REGARDING AN INSURANCE CONSULTANT AND BROKER SERVICE AGREEMENT

Committee Chair Harrington requested a motion on the above referenced item. The item was raised by Director Dayton and seconded by Director Steuber.

RESOLVED: That the President is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with the following firm for Insurance Consulting and Broker Services, substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting:

- Beecher Carlson Insurance Services LLC, a division of Brown & Brown, Inc.

President and CFO Mark Daley and Roger Guzowski, Supply Chain Manager provided an overview of the services to be provided, the procurement process that was undertaken and the legacy policy that prescribed that procurement process. Mr. Daley and Mr. Guzowski also discussed that DAS was scheduled to become the successor to the Authority prior to the end of the 3 year term and provided an overview of termination provisions in the resulting Agreement in the event that DAS wished to terminate the Agreement prior to the end of the 3-year term. The Committee discussed concerns about the timing of the termination in relation to the DAS succession and requested that additional clarification be included with the resolution when presented to the full Board. The resolution was approved on roll call vote.

	Raised	Second	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Paul Harrington, Committee Chair		X	X		
Bill Beccaro					Not yet joined
Matt Dayton	X		X		
Dave Steuber			X		

3. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION REGARDING DRAFT 2025 CSWS OPERATING BUDGET INCLUDING MAJOR MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Note: Director Steuber who had been attending via Zoom since the start of the meeting joined the meeting live in person beginning at 9:48am.

Note: Director Beccaro joined the meeting at 10am during this discussion.

President and CFO Mark Daley led a discussion about the Connecticut Solid Waste System (“CSWS”) budget. The Committee and Mr. Daley had a lengthy discussion regarding the CSWS budget, impacts of potential legislative action during the 2024 legislative session, use of the tip

fee stabilization, provisions in the Municipal Services Agreements (“MSA”s), termination provisions in various CSWS contracts, and notification to the CSWS municipalities regarding these issues.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED BY THE AUTHORITY IN HARTFORD, WATERTOWN, ELLINGTON AND SHELTON AND ANY PENDING CONSUMMATION, TERMINATION OR ABANDONMENT OF ALL TRANSACTIONS OR PROCEEDINGS CONCERNING ANY SUCH SALE

Committee Chair Harrington requested a motion to go into executive session to discuss the sale of real estate owned by the Authority in Hartford, Watertown, Ellington and Shelton and any pending consummation, termination or abandonment of all transactions or proceedings concerning any such sale (as specified on the Agenda).

The motion to enter executive session was made by Director Steuber and seconded by Director Beccaro.

Those included into executive session included the Finance Committee, all other Directors and Members of the Authority’s Board of Directors in attendance, President & CFO Daley, Mr. Bodendorf and Mr. Guzowski.

At 10:40am, the Committee voted unanimously to go into Executive Session. At 11:00 am, Committee Chair Harrington indicated that the Committee was out of executive session, that no motions were made and that no actions were taken in the executive session.

5. ADJOURNMENT.

Committee Chair Harrington requested a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Director Steuber and seconded by Director Beccaro. By unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 am.