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A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD TO AMEND THE CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE SCHEDULE OF RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR WATER AND WATER SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE ONONDAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

DECEMBER 3, 2013

IN ATTENDANCE: Legislators May, Dougherty, Dudzinski, Rapp, Plochocki, Liedka, Ryan, Andrews, Holmquist, Kilmartin, Knapp, Shepard, Jordan, Williams, Ervin, Chairman McMahon

Chairman McMahon called the 12:55 p.m. public hearing to order at 1:05 p.m.

The Clerk read the notice of public hearing.

Chairman McMahon asked a representative from the Metropolitan Water Board to please present an explanation for each item the Legislators are asked to review today.

Explanation as given by Holly Rosenthal:

Good Afternoon.

The Metropolitan Water Board (MWB) is the administrative body of the Onondaga County Water District (OCWD). Its mission is to provide clean, safe, reliable, sustainable and cost-efficient wholesale drinking water from Lake Ontario to the Central Upstate New York region. Integral to this mission is the MWB's role as an essential public health resource and economic development asset for the community.

We appear today to request an increase in the water rate as required to fund expenditures supported by the County Executive and approved by the Legislature for the MWB 2014 Budget. We hereby request approval of a \$0.09/1000 gallon increase to the MWB rate, providing for a rate range of \$1.00-1.03/1000 gallons for wholesale customers.

MWB water continues to reliably deliver a safe and cost competitive water supply to our community and we appreciate your continued support of our mission.

Chairman McMahon asked if any Legislators wanted to speak, hearing none he then asked for speakers wishing to be heard. Hearing none, the public hearing was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMIE McNAMARA, Assistant Clerk Opondaga County Legislature