International Water Association Regional Committee of Hong Kong, China (IWAHK)

Minutes of the 8th General Meeting

Venue: T Space, T Park, Tsang Tsui, Tuen Mun

Date : 20 November 2017 (Monday)

Time : 5:00 p.m.

Present

Ir Enoch TS LAM Director of Water Supplies (Chairman)

Ir Edwin KH TONG Director of Drainage Services (Vice Chairman)
Ir CL WONG Deputy Director of Water Supplies (Secretary)

Ir MC WONG Assistant Director of Water Supplies/Mechanical & Electrical

(Treasurer)

Ir Raymond HM CHAN Chief Executive, ATAL Engineering Ltd (Co-opted Member)

Prof GH CHEN Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering,

HKUST (Co-opted Member)

Ir Alan HL MAN Managing Director – Black & Veatch Hong Kong Limited

(B&V) (Co-opted Member)

Ir Robert YK CHAN Executive Director, AECOM

Ir Alan LO Project Manager, Wo Hing Construction Co. Ltd.

Prof CG KO Former IWA Board Member

Ir Tony WONG Assistant General Manager, China State Construction

Engineering (Hong Kong) Limited

Mr WS LAM Technical Officer, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Ir Fedrick YF KAN Assistant Director of Drainage Services/Operations &

Maintenance

Ir Benedict LS Technical Secretary 1, Drainage Services Department (DSD)

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Ir Clement MH LEUNG Chief Engineer, Water Supplies Department (WSD)

Ir TO LEE Chief Engineer, WSD

Ir John TC LOUIE Senior Engineer, WSD (Secretariat)

Ir PH CHO Senior Engineer, WSD
Ir Alex YH YU Senior Engineer, WSD

Ir Ken TH CHAN Engineer, WSD
Ir KC WONG Engineer, WSD
Ir MK WONG Engineer, WSD

Ir Enoch YL WONG Engineer, WSD (Note Taker)

Absent with Apology

Ir Anthony WK FOK Principal Environmental Protection Officer, Environmental

Protection Department (EPD) (Co-opted Member)

Prof XY LI Professor, Environmental Engineering Department of Civil

Engineering, HKU (Co-opted Member)

Ir David LUI Senior Vice President, AECOM (Co-opted Member)

Dr Derrick PANG Executive Director, Chun Wo Development Holdings Ltd.

(Chun Wo) (Co-opted Member)

Dr Daniel TSANG Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental

Engineering, Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Co-opted

Member)

Mr Alfred CK LEE Chairman, the Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental

Management Hong Kong

1. Welcoming Remarks

Action

The Chairman welcomed all to the 8th General Meeting (GM) of IWAHK.

1.1 <u>Introduction of Co-opted Member</u>

The Chairman introduced the Co-opted Member of the Executive Committee, Ir Anthony WK FOK (Principal Environmental Protection Officer, EPD) to replace outgoing Dr Samuel HK CHUI.

2. Matters Arising from the 7th GM (8 June 2016)

The minutes of the 7th GM held on 8 June 2016 were confirmed without amendment.

2.1 <u>Hosting of the 8th IWA-ASPIRE Conference & Exhibition</u> 2019

Ir MC WONG reported the progress of preparation for hosting the 8th IWA-ASPIRE Conference & Exhibition 2019 (ASPIRE 2019) in Hong Kong as follows:

The ASPIRE 2019 would be held in the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) tentatively from 31 October to 2 November 2019. The theme of the

conference would be "Smart Solutions for Water Resilience". Publicity activities for the event were on-going including the setting up of a designated event Administrative website. Information on the event would be uploaded Committee to the website from time to time.

The meeting was briefed on the preliminary proposal for the layout of the venue and programme of the conference.

Scientific Programme Committee

The conference would be co-organised with the Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental (CIWEM Management Hong Kong HK). Representatives from CIWEM HK participated in the Finance Committee under the Organising Committee for Finance the ASPIRE 2019 responsible for handling of the financial matters of the event.

Committee

Invitation to bid for appointment of event manager was under preparation by the Administrative Committee.

Administrative Committee

The Chief Executive (CE)'s office advised that CE had accepted the invitation to officiate the opening ceremony of the ASPIRE 2019 on 31 October 2019.

Sponsorship packages were being formulated and Administrative potential sponsors would be approached in due course. Committee The budget for the event was being prepared.

The formal agreement with IWA for hosting the event Secretariat was under preparation.

Ir Edwin KH TONG reminded that sufficient time should be allowed for exhibitors to move-in and set-up the exhibition booths and showcase their exhibits in order to attract more exhibitors to join. Ir MC WONG responded that negotiation with HKCEC was underway for booking the venue for the Administrative day before the event for the move-in and set-up of the venue Committee

for the opening ceremony of the conference as well as the exhibition booths by the exhibitors.

Ir MC WONG also appealed for financial and technical All Members support from Members for this event.

3. Promotion of the Work of IWAHK

3.1 **Issue of IWAHK Newsletter**

The Chairman remarked that the meetings of IWAHK were held about once a year and might not be able to maintain good ties within the water industry. In this connection, the publication of a regular IWAHK newsletter was proposed, in which the latest news, events and projects of IWA, IWAHK and the water industry in Hong Kong could be reported to forge closer ties within the industry and with IWA. Members expressed their support to the proposal. Chairman said the IWAHK newsletter would need the support from Members in providing articles for publication in the All Members newsletter.

3.2 IWA Project Innovation Awards Competition in World Water Congress 2018, Tokyo, Japan

Ir John LOUIE briefed the meeting on the IWA Project Innovation Awards (PIA) competition to be held in the IWA World Water Congress 2018. Members were appealed to participate in the competition. He also invited Members to All Members share their experience in participating in the previous PIA competitions.

Ir Edwin KH TONG advised that DSD's projects "Relocation of the Sha Tin Sewage Treatment Works to Caverns" and the "Lai Chi Kok Drainage Tunnel" won the 2014 IWA PIA competition in the Marketing and Communications Category, and the Honour Award in the Design Projects Category respectively.

Ir Alan HL MAN also advised that WSD's projects "Tai Po Water Treatment Works & Aqueducts" and "Re-Provisioning of WSD Utilities and Infrastructure Works for Proposed Centennial Campus of the University of Hong Kong" won the 2006 and 2010 IWA PIA competitions respectively.

Ir John LOUIE invited Members to inform him if they had All Members entries in the PIA competitions in IWA World Water Congress 2018. Further details and requirements of the competition would be provided in due course.

4. Forthcoming IWA and IWA-ASPIRE Events

Ir John LOUIE made a short presentation on the forthcoming IWA events. The events included:

- Water Resource Recovery Modelling 2018 to be held on 10-14 March 2018 in Quebec City Region, Canada;
- Sludge Management in Circular Economy to be held on 23-25 May 2018 in Rome, Italy;
- The 15th IWA Leading Edge Conference on Water and Wastewater Technologies to be held on 27-31 May 2018 in Nanjing, China; and
- IWA World Water Congress 2018 to be held on 16-21 September 2018 in Tokyo, Japan.

Ir John LOUIE mentioned that the IWA President solicited support from IWAHK for participation in the IWA events during her visit to Hong Kong in September 2017. For hosting the ASPIRE 2019, Members were encouraged to All Members participate in the above events to gain more experience in hosting conference and exhibition.

The Chairman requested Members to inform the Secretariat All Members regarding their submission of papers to the IWA World Water Congress 2018.

5. Any Other Business

Ir Alan HL MAN proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing IWAHK Chairman, Ir Enoch TS LAM for his leadership in the association and the successful bid for hosting the ASPIRE

2019 in Hong Kong. All Members agreed and thanked Ir LAM for his contribution.

6. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u>

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The date of the next GM would be advised in due course.