

**South Sangamon Water Commission**  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
June 21, 2011 – 8:30 a.m.  
Greene & Bradford conference room, 3501 Constitution Dr, Springfield IL

**Commissioners:**

Present: Del McCord, William Pfeffer, Craig Hall

Absent: none

Quorum: yes

**Others Present:**

Terry Burke (SSWC), Herb Butler (EMC), Mark Heisinger, Rob Heisinger, Shane Hill (Chatham), Gary Kuntzman (Greene & Bradford), John Myers (Rabin & Myers), Joe Pisula (Donahue), Ron Vancil (SSWC), Laura VanProyen (SSWC), Mike Williamsen (Chatham)

**Proceedings:**

- Meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman, Del McCord and roll taken.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve May 17, 2011 regular meeting minutes with a correction at the bottom of page 5 from “bake” to “back”.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

- Treasurer Pfeffer presented the 5/31/2011 balance sheet which shows our project construction funds as follows:

Illinois Funds – Series B Project Construction Fund	\$5,718,007.59
People Bank & Trust	249,882.52
Warren Boynton State Bank	<u>2,499.80</u>
	\$5,970,389.91

- \$9,500 has been drawn on the INB line of credit

**Approval of Open Invoices for Payment:**

- Treasurer Pfeffer presented a list of open payables for construction-related items totaling \$655,767.48 and \$12,691.97 for non-construction-related items which included \$7,861.00 paid on June 8 to Nicoud Insurance for the annual general insurance package. Herb Butler, Ron Vancil and Terry Burke had reviewed and approved all construction bills.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve payment of all invoices as presented.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

- Pfeffer stated the July 1 interest payments on the Series B, C and D bonds were made last week from the capitalized interest amounts in the Illinois Funds account at U S Bank.

**Heisinger Options and Easements:**

- Joe Greene joined the meeting.
- Mark and Rob Heisinger asked about the status of agreements regarding well options and easements. John Myers will prepare an addendum to the 2009 agreement to address recently discussed changes and e-mail it to Heisingers for their review.
- Greene and Vancil will work with Heisingers regarding roadway placement.
- Joe Green left the meeting.

**Easement Acquisition:**

- John Myers presented a collection of easements which allow for more efficient pipe laying in Loami Township in the Loami-Bates and Mansion Road area.
- Terry Burke stated the easements allowed for substantial savings which more than offset the costs.

MOTION by Hall, second by Pfeffer to approve Ordinance 11-09, an Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Easements

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

**Appropriation Ordinance:**

- Treasurer Pfeffer presented an appropriation ordinance to be approved at next month's regular Commission board meeting immediately following a public hearing to begin at 8:30 a.m.

**Prevailing Wage Ordinance:**

- Discussion regarding questions raised by Cahoy Pump and the Operating Engineers Union. Vancil will work with the contractor and union and report to the Commission.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve Ordinance 11-08, an Ordinance Establishing a Prevailing Wage.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

**Change Order with Cahoy Pump Service on Re-Designed Well Field:**

- Joe Pisula presented changes related to an increase from nine to ten wells at an additional \$85,575.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve Change Order #1 to Contract "A" – Re-Designed Well Field, with Cahoy Pump Service

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

**Professional Services Proposal for Green Initiative Site Improvements to Water Treatment Plant:**

- Joe Pisula talked about the need for plans for a landscaper to install to meet our agreement with Prairie Rivers for plantings at the plant. Kaskaskia Engineering can do a plan for \$6,500.00.
- Discussion regarding other options.

MOTION by Hall, second by Pfeffer to go out for proposals from local landscapers architects to design and install the project.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- Chairman McCord asked about the status of the Army Corps of Engineers permit. We are waiting for the Historic Preservation letter. Commissioner Hall will make a call to follow up and move this along.

**Plocher Construction Delay Claim:**

- Herb Butler stated Plocher Construction wants a meeting to discuss their delay claim and time extension request. He will set up a meeting with McCord, Vancil and Myers for June 27 or 29 at Rabin & Myers.

**Status of Broken Pipe at Horse Creek:**

- Terry Burke reported the pipe manufacturer found the driller overstretched the pipe. They will cover the costs of the pipe, fusing and televised pipe review. The drilling company (EBI) wants \$60,000 to redrill the hole. They are currently researching other options.

**Well Field Development Bids:**

- Ron Vancil presented two bids received for flow meters and three bids for concrete vaults (concrete only). IMCO will prefabricate the vaults with aluminum hatches and flow meters included.
- McCord stated we might want to look into plastic alternatives.
- Approval for meters and vaults was tabled for further pricing options.
  
- Vancil presented three bids received for well site pipe.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to accept the best bid of \$137,372.40 from HD Supply for well site pipe.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

**Plant Management Once Online:**

- Herb Butler stated the draft contract with EMC is hung up in their legal department and not yet available for our review.
- Commissioners have received both negative and positive feedback from other communities regarding EMC, especially following their ownership changes.

- Mike Williamson reviewed some of the reasons we began looking at American Water several years ago including the expertise and experience they could bring to our new operation for at least the first few years.
- Butler will get us a list of EMC's clients so Burke and Vancil can make some calls to check as references.
- Myers will contact EMC to get a contract for review at the next Commission meeting.

**Old Business:**

- Gary Kuntzman reported the 8" brine sewer did not start up yesterday as planned. Unmarked utilities are slowing down some of the work in New Berlin which is keeping Chuck Ashley busy, so Greene & Bradford will handle brine sewer rescheduling.
- The Hendrickson easement should be complete sometime next week.
- Laying pipe near the plant is waiting for exact well locations and final permits.
- Craig Hall has been asked to sell straw to Pedigo for his work on our project as a contractor for the Village of Chatham. John Myers will look into any problems with this.
- Myers stated we still need to find a CREP operator to maintain and oversee our property.

**New Business:**

- Treasurer Pfeffer reported he has made initial contact with Bank of Springfield to get an idea of how banks might respond to the Commission looking for additional funding without backing from the villages. He will have more to report at next month's meeting.
- Valerie Flynn and her staff are currently conducting the audit for fiscal year 2011.
- Terry Burke reported on the sump outage at the Lick Creek pump station due to power failure. Discussion regarding the need for a generator and possibility of raising equipment about 30 inches. Shane Hill's crew will review the area and plug any holes.

**Adjournment:**

- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be July 19, 2011, immediately following the public hearing at 8:30 a.m. in the conference room of Greene & Bradford, 3501 Constitution Dr, Springfield IL.

MOTION by Hall, second by Pfeffer to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Clerk