South Sangamon Water Commission

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners August 17, 2010 – 8:30 a.m.

Greene & Bradford conference room, 3501 Constitution Dr, Springfield IL

Commissioners:

Present: Del McCord, William Pfeffer

Absent: Craig Hall Quorum: yes

Others Present:

Terry Burke, Herb Butler (EMC), Chris Collier (Edward Jones), Jay Jessen (Greene & Bradford), John Myers (Rabin, Myers & Hanken), Mike Noonan (Sikich LLP), Joe Pisula (Donohue), Ron Vancil, Laura VanProyen, Mike Williamsen

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 8:34 a.m. by the Chairman and roll taken.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to approve August 6, 2010 special meeting minutes.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- July 31, 2010 balances:

\$ 8,866.06 Warren-Boynton State Bank 2,415,943.58 Peoples Bank & Trust 100.00 Petty Cash \$2,424,009.64 Total

Review and Approval of Outstanding Invoices for Payment:

- A list of outstanding invoices totaling \$954,030.04 was presented as an attachment to the July Treasurer's Report.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to pay all outstanding invoices.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes

Motion carried.

- Terry Burke estimates \$600,000 contractors' bills for August which will be payable in September.

Feasibility Study and POS status:

- Mike Noonan presented a revised draft Feasibility Study showing increased rates from the previous draft.
- Chris Collier explained the rate changes were driven by two key factors:
 - 1. Reduction in coverage requirements from 1.25 times to 1.1 times allowed by implementing an intergovernmental agreement to be prepared by Attorney Southworth.
 - 2. Change in the way the numbers are structured because each year must be looked at independently without any funds on hand amounts to insure sufficient coverage.

- There is approximately \$1.5 million included in the bonds which will be on hand for the Commission to use to abate 2012 real estate taxes.
- The water rate projections presented with this draft can be used by Attorney Myers in preparing the rate ordinance to be approved at the next meeting.
- Collier stated he will send out the items from the POS which still require additional information to the appropriate people for completion immediately so it may be approved at the next meeting.
- Collier will send out credit packages this week to begin the rating process.
- The Commissioners agreed to hold a special meeting next Tuesday, August 24, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. so we can continue moving toward completion of the bond funding.

Items 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the agenda were deferred until the next meeting when all the documents will be complete.

Approval of An Ordinance Establishing a Capitalization Policy:

- Bill Pfeffer stated this policy was drafted after reviewing similar guidelines of Village of Chatham, Village of New Berlin and Otter Lake Water Commission. It has been reviewed by the auditor.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to adopt Ordinance No. 10-28 "An Ordinance Establishing a Capitalization Policy"

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes

Motion carried.

Approval of Change Order #1 to Contract "C":

- Joe Pisula stated in a pre-construction meeting between Donohue and Plocher they felt the screen fence for the generator is not really necessary.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to approve "Change Order #1 to Contract "C" – Water Treatment Facilities, in the deductive amount of \$47,250.00, for the deletion of the Generator Screen Fence at the Water Treatment Plant"

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

Land Acquisition:

- John Myers stated Taft is updating the appraisal on the Hudgins property; Hudgins' attorney said they would probably accept \$35,000 for their easement.
- Discussion regarding benefits of accepting their offer rather than going to court will continue at the next meeting.
- Jay Jessen stated there is an approximately 20-foot lane easement needed on the Hendrickson property for which they want compensation. He will negotiate an amount with them.

Easement Update:

- Myers stated CWLP easements are resolved and only require physical documents to be recorded when they are signed by the City of Springfield

Permits:

- Terry Burke stated there was some overflow of drill mud last week while doing a directional bore around a difficult section near the lake. CWLP reported this to IEPA who requested a sample of the bore gel; they have no continuing problems. Approximately 15% cleanup still remains for this week.
- Pisula stated there were errors in the most recent sample test results so another sample was tested and those results were sent to Greg Humphrey. His concern now is with some wording in the Memorandum of Understanding.
- Pisula will talk with Kim from Prairie Rivers regarding changing the wording in the MOU and getting her to sign it prior to our next meeting.
- Myers will follow up with SMSD's attorney to get the Brine Agreement completed for approval at the next meeting.

Additional Contractors Update:

- Burke stated:

Plocher is still looking at an October 1, 2010 start date.

Burke has talked with McIntire and Petersburg about possible early September time frame. Pedigo is set to begin seeding along the frontage road August 15.

- Del McCord suggested we should schedule a meeting with Doug Scott in anticipation of having the Memorandum of Understanding in order to keep things moving forward.

An Ordinance Pertaining to Meetings:

- This ordinance changes the regular meeting schedule for the Board of Commissioners to include the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 8:30 a.m.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to adopt Ordinance No. 10-29 "An Ordinance Pertaining to Meetings"

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

Other New Business:

- Attorney Myers asked whether the Commissioners had yet discussed the proposed changes to the office of Clerk which would allow Laura VanProyen to become Clerk following the resignation of Craig Hall from that position. He will prepare the necessary documents to complete this process at the next meeting.
- Pisula stated we need to schedule a presentation by Brian Cross from Kaskaskia Group regarding Wetlands Trading which may help with permitting. He will schedule this for the next meeting.

Next Meeting and Adjournment:

- The next meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be a special meeting held August 24, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. in the conference room of Greene & Bradford, 3501 Constitution Dr, Springfield IL.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Van Proger Deputy Clerk