South Sangamon Water Commission

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
January 15, 2013; 1:30 p.m.
Water Plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois

Commissioners:

Present: Del McCord, William Pfeffer

Absent: Craig Hall

Quorum: yes

Others Present:

Tim Hasara (CGWD), Dan Held (SSWC), Gary Kuntzman (Greene & Bradford), John Myers (Rabin & Myers), Laura VanProyen (SSWC)

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Chairman, Del McCord and roll taken.

MOTION by McCord, second by Pfeffer to approve December 18, 2012 meeting minutes.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurer Bill Pfeffer presented the financial reports for December 31, 2012 which showed an operating account balance of \$377,850.26 and fiscal year-to-date net income of \$257,558.21
- Pfeffer reported the BAB subsidy of interest we paid in December on Series 2010D bonds will be reimbursed to the debt service reserve account.

Approval of Open Invoices for Payment:

- Treasurer Pfeffer distributed a list of open payables totaling \$29,721.24 and items paid since the last meeting for utility and chemical bills with early due dates totaling \$5,598.84.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to approve payment of all items shown on open payables as presented.

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

FY 2014 Operating Budget:

- Pfeffer reported a meeting was scheduled for January 16 at 3:30 at the New Berlin office to begin drafting an operating budget for presentation at the March or April board meeting. The appropriation budget should be ready for the June meeting.

Tax Abatement Resolution:

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to approve Resolution 13-01, A Resolution Abating the Direct Annual Real Estate Tax in the Amount of \$1,578,893.76 for the Year 2012 Levied Pursuant to Ordinance 10-33

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

Plant Security System:

- Tim Hasara reported they have requested bids from four companies for a system that would cover the plant with alarm monitors and keypads on 3 walk-in doors (south, east and west), 2 cameras (one high resolution on southeast corner covering bulk water machine, and one other covering the front gate and front of the building) with 4-channel DVR including 6 to 12 months storage, monitor and motion sensors covering the entire plant.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to approve acceptance of the lowest responsible proposal after e-mailing the information to the commissioners.

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

Potassium Permanganate Feed System Proposal:

- Dan Held reviewed discussion regarding building a small outbuilding and potassium permanganate feed system to allow a longer time for reduction of manganese before it gets to the tank.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to accept the proposal from MECO Engineering of \$5,500 for a potassium permanganate feed system.

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

Old Business:

Transducer Problems:

- Hasara stated four wells are currently down due to non-functioning transducers. He proposed we have Brotcke Well & Pump install air lines so they can be physically monitored, pull the failed transducers and replace them, documenting the process with photographs. Having all ten wells done could save us mobilization costs to do the other wells at a later date.

MOTION by McCord, second by Pfeffer to direct management to proceed with Brotcke Well & Pump to install air lines on all ten wells and replace and/or repair transducers on the four problem wells at a cost of \$13,000 to \$15,000 fully documenting the process with photographs.

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

SangChris Water Alliance Co-op Not for Profit:

- Gary Kunztman spoke representing the newly formed organization. He reported they are currently working on preliminary engineering plans and funding options. They will require information regarding our rates and maintenance possibilities by the February 18 meeting in order to meet their February 28 deadline to present a plan to Rural Development.
- They estimate water requirements of 175,000 to 350,000 gallons per day.
- Representatives of the organization will attend future commission meetings in order to keep communication open.
- Their next meeting at large is January 17 at Sugar Creek Methodist Church (third Thursdays).

Water Quality:

- Dan Held reported Water Solutions Unlimited plans to test for different phosphates to improve possible scaling problems in the mains. He will apply for the necessary permits.

Management Agreement with Curran-Gardner Water District:

- John Myers clarified that the proposed increase in the annual management rate was \$7,000 not \$6,000 as previously reported in some discussions to begin January 1, 2013.

CRP:

- Myers reported we are waiting to connect with the correct people to discuss changes to our CRP maintenance plan.

Skid Steer:

- Hasara asked to rent equipment from Altorfer for one week at a cost of \$2,550 for the skid steer with attachment to see how much we can clear. Commissioners agreed.
- Hasara presented options available for purchasing a Catepillar Skid Steer Loader with 48" forks and 24" bucket for future consideration. He will forward purchase financing and lease information to the treasurer for review.

New Business:

- Hasara explained Brotcke Well & Pump was on site Monday and determined the levels of wells #1 and 3 are fine; SCADA data was wrong, possibly due to a bad sensor. Hasara, Held and Middendorf are working with Cahoy and/or AAC to correct this problem.

Adjournment:

- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be February 18, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. at the water plant, 9199 Buckhard Road, Rochester.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by McCord to adjourn.

Laura Van Proyen
Clerk

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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