

South Sangamon Water Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
January 16, 2018; 3:00 p.m.
Water Plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois

Commissioners:

Present: Lee Bloome, Craig Hall, Joel Sander
Absent: none
Quorum: Yes

Others Present:

Dan Held, Keith Sommers & Greg Frieden (Woodard & Curran), Randy Segatto, (Barber, Segatto, et al), Max Middendorf (MECO Engineering), Laura VanProyen (SSWC), Bill Brown (CM&T), Jessica Tyler (Gem Energy)
Darlene Judd, Keith Osborn

Proceedings:

- The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairman, Joel Sander, and roll was taken.
- Chairman Sander asked that item #2 on the agenda be moved to later in the meeting because the GEM Energy representative was held up in traffic and running late; commissioners agreed.

Management Report Presented by Dan Held:

MOTION by Sander, second by Bloome to replace the failed lagoon effluent pump at a cost not to exceed \$5,603.25 plus shipping.

Roll call vote: Hall – yes Bloome – yes Sander – yes Motion carried.

Engineering Report Presented by Max Middendorf:

- An easement agreement for the main relocation at Wesley Chapel Road was underway. Bid documents and proposals were in process.
- Commissioner Sander asked for an estimated time frame for the repairs; Middendorf thought three months.
- Middendorf met recently with employees of Woodard & Curran to discuss details for increased efficiencies regarding the ammonium sulfate (chloramines) project. A project budget and proposal can now be completed.
- Work on the system-wide assessment was ongoing.

MOTION by Bloome, second by Hall to purchase the easement from Monty's, Inc. for the Wesley Chapel main relocation at a price of \$1,000.00.

Roll call vote: Bloome – yes Hall – yes Sander – yes Motion carried.

GEM Energy Presentation by Jessica Tyler:

- They requested the Commissioner's permission to gather energy consumption data on the water treatment plant so they could do a cost analysis to determine whether solar would be a good option for us. There would be no up-front costs with a likely energy cost savings.
- Commissioners received information packets about the GEM Energy company.
- Commissioners agreed to give Dan Held authority to work with GEM Energy to get them the necessary information.

Public Comments:

Commissioners discussed concerns included in an e-mail from Keith Osburn regarding:

- Timing of the chloramines project - Sander stated once project budget is known the Commission will act. Middendorf believed it would be possible to complete this Spring.
- Membrane replacement warranty and shipping method – Held was communicating with the membrane vendor to be sure shipping would not degrade the modules due to low temperatures or invalidate the warranty.
- Membrane life and replacement schedule – Bloome said these modules were being replaced as part of overall maintenance. Sander stated the Capital Plan is an ever-changing document and that this replacement is needed now whether or not the system-wide assessment determines we should continue with the WesTech system.
- How replacement membranes would be divided among the filter trains – Sander said Held was looking into this with WesTech and asked him to report his findings to the Commission.

Membrane Cartridge Replacement:

- Commissioners set a special meeting to finalize the purchase once remaining questions were answered. The special meeting was scheduled for January 30, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at the water plant.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Hall, second by Bloome to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2017 regular meeting as presented.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Laura VanProyen distributed unaudited draft December 31, 2017 financial information and historical water usage report for Commissioners' review. There were no questions or discussion regarding the information.

Approval of Invoices for Payment:

- VanProyen presented a list of payable items totaling \$105,718.06 to be approved for payment and noted \$8,526.00 to Petersburg Plumbing and possibly some portion of the \$7877.55 to MECO were directly related to the water main break.
- Chairman Sander asked her to keep notes regarding all such expenses.

MOTION by Hall, second by Bloome to pay all invoices as presented.

Roll call vote: Hall – yes Bloome – yes Sander - yes

Motion carried.

Old Business:

Fencing:

- Commissioner Hall asked about the status of the fencing. Held suggested including that project in the FY2019 budget.

Bulk Water:

Commissioner Sander reported there is a growing need in the area for farmers and homeowners to purchase bulk water with the closing of the station in Rochester; this will be included for discussion on a future agenda.

New Business:

Insurance Claim:

- Clerk VanProyen reported the insurance agent had been contacted regarding the Wesley Chapel main break; a file had been opened and an adjuster will be assigned.

Commission Chairmanship:

- Chairman Sander stated his plans to resign as chairman once another chairman would be available. He felt this would allow for a smooth transition prior to the end of his term in about a year.

Adjournment:

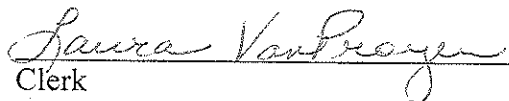
- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be February 20, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at the water plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois.

MOTION by Hall, second by Bloome to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Clerk