South Sangamon Water Commission

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
December 15, 2015 - 3:00 p.m.
water plant - 9199 Buckhart Rd, Rochester, Illinois

Commissioners:

Present: Terry Burke, Craig Hall, Joel Sander

Absent: none Quorum: yes

Others Present:

Dan Held & Marc Thomas (Woodard & Curran), Max Middendorf (MECO Engineering), Randy Segatto (Barber, Segatto et al), Laura VanProyen (SSWC)

Darlene Judd

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m by the chairman, Terry Burke.
- Roll was taken.

Management Report:

- Held reported reprogramming was completed to allow plant operators to log on remotely to start pumps and monitor activity until someone arrives at the plant. This may avoid future boil orders due to insufficient pressure similar to the one in early November. Response time on November 3 was within fifteen minutes.
- Adjustments to phosphate feed rates continue along with plans for future testing by Water Solutions monitoring impact on finished water quality.
- Following recent treatment on well #4, it appears there may be some type of blockage. The well is producing water and will be rechecked in the spring.

Public Comments and Questions:

- Managers and commissioners responded to questions regarding sodium permanganate pilot program plans which were on hold awaiting permits.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Sander, second by Hall to approve the November 17, 2015, meeting minutes.

Voice vote: Motion carried

Financial Report:

- VanProyen presented the financial report for November 30, 2015, which showed an operating account balance of \$429,970.76.
- Commissioners agreed to process January 1, 2016, bond payments from the Bond & Interest bank accounts as usual and postpone any use of the Debt Service Reserve Fund at this time.

- VanProyen will invite a securities representative to the January meeting to discuss possible refinancing of our bonds at lower interest rates.
- She will also solicit quotes from the current auditors and two other firms for consideration at the February meeting.

Approval of Open Invoices for Payment:

- VanProyen distributed a list of open payables totaling \$82,928.97. Held stated we may also owe \$2,500 for renewal of the NPDES permit later in December.

MOTION by Hall, second by Sander to approve payment of all open payables presented and the permit renewal fee if required.

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

Resolution Setting 2016 Regular Meeting Dates:

- Segatto distributed a draft resolution proposing meetings to continue on the third Tuesday of each month at 3:00 p.m. at the water plant. Commissioners agreed these dates were acceptable; final version of the resolution will be approved at the January meeting.

Old Business:

Logo Creation Status:

- Hall reported he contacted art teachers at the Chatham and New Berlin high schools; they were interested in having students submit ideas for a Commission logo but asked to wait until after finals and Winter Break.

Next Town Hall Meeting with Chatham:

- Commissioners agreed the next joint meeting should not be held until our pilot testing and Chatham's flushing are complete. Segatto will prepare a letter to Chatham's attorneys outlining the reasons the meeting, originally discussed for January, should be postponed until March.

New Business:

EPA Letter:

- Burke reported we recently received a letter from EPA stating we were in violation due to inability to maintain pressure on our mains. Commissioners had already given Middendorf approval to move forward with plans for a hydrostatic tank; those permit applications will be submitted this week.

Litigation:

- Segatto reported he had no response to our offer and continues correspondence with the other attorneys.

Adjournment:

- The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. at the water plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois.

MOTION by Sander, second by Hall to adjourn.

Saura Vanfragen Clerk

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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