

**South Sangamon Water Commission**  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
February 16, 2016; 3:00 p.m.  
Water Plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois

**Commissioners:**

Present: Terry Burke, Joel Sander

Absent: Hall (excused)

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 Chairman, Terry Burke and roll taken.

**Engineering Report** by Max Middendorf regarding new and ongoing projects.

- Details regarding delivery rates, volume, pressures and locations were worked out with EJ Water Cooperative and forwarded to Attorney Segatto to prepare a final agreement for approval.

- Bridge and road project on Wesley Chapel required manhole and valve adjustments to sampling station and concrete vault.

- Construction permits were received recently for the fluoride pump replacement and the permanganate feed pilot test.

- Non-bladder style hydro-pneumatic tank design was ready for permitting and then for bidding, perhaps in April.

- Met with Woodard & Curran and Village of Chatham regarding altitude valve at ground storage tank. This valve will be reconfigured from being controlled hydraulically to electrically with manual override.

**Management Report** for January, 2016 presented by Dan Held.

- Costs for replacement of motor and pump in Well #2 were estimated at \$5,000 to \$6,000; actual amount should be available at the March meeting.

- Held had received an e-mail inquiry from Jewel Brant regarding water chemistry and incorrect contact information on sswc.us website.

Woodard & Curran had communicated with her requesting additional information so they might better understand her concerns; they plan to meet with her. They also had plans to conference call with Village of Chatham and Water Solutions to discuss water chemistry blend details.

- Clerk update website contact information with MCS.

- Commissioner Sander asked for clarification regarding extra expenses incurred regarding Chatham's unidirectional flushing plan. Chairman Burke stated we were picking up some expense to offer Woodard & Curran's expertise to help Chatham with this important project and would be available to New Berlin, or other customers, if needed as well.

**Public Comments:**

- e-mails sent by customers through the Contact area on the sswc.us website are not getting through to anyone; VanProyen will follow up with MCS to research and correct the problem.

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Discussion and questions.

MOTION by Sander, second by Burke to approve the January 19, 2016 meeting minutes as presented.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

**Audit Proposals:**

- VanProyen presented the proposal from Adam Withee of Zumbahlen, Eyth, Surratt, Foote & Flynn, Ltd in Jacksonville, our current auditor; a one year proposal which may be renewed at comparable rates for future years as mutually agreed upon at the time of renewal.

This was the only proposal received in response to our requests.

MOTION by Sander, second by Burke to accept the proposal from Zumbahlen, Eyth, Surratt, Foote & Flynn, Ltd. to perform the 4/30/2016 fiscal year audit at an estimated cost of \$7,250.

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

**Financial Report:**

- Laura VanProyen distributed interim financial reports for January 31, 2016 which showed an operating account balance of \$372,466.13.

- She noted the repairs expense item of \$4,041 for a citric acid pump which was in process at the time Woodard & Curran began managing the plant and the invoice was just received for payment.

- VanProyen will review current budget status and propose adjustments to be discussed at the March meeting.

**Approval of Open Invoices for Payment:**

- VanProyen distributed a list of open payables totaling \$106,560.63 and asked to add an invoice received that day from USIC in the amount of \$131.84.

- Discussion and questions.

MOTION by Sander, second by Burke to approve payment of all open payables plus \$131.84 to USIC.

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

**Cahoy Settlement:**

- Randy Segatto reported his offer to settle for \$80,000 was accepted. The payees and amounts of the checks to distribute that total are still being negotiated among the parties.

MOTION by Sander, second by Burke to approve the \$80,000 total settlement amount.

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

MOTION by Sander, second by Burke to authorize issuance of checks to payees in amounts as directed by the parties pursuant to receipt of all lien waivers and final documents.

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

**Agreement with EJ Water Cooperative:**

- Segatto received final draft of agreement from Max which is now ready to be approved.

MOTION by Sander, second by Burke to approve Resolution 16-02, A Resolution Authorizing and Approving Water Supply Agreement with EJ Water Cooperative, Inc.

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

**Social Media Sites:**

- Commissioner Sander proposed putting together social media sites to expand communication with residents in response to their requests and inform them of ongoing efforts being made by the Commission.

- Commissioners agreed Sander will begin a facebook page.

**Old Business:**

**Logo Creation:**

- Tabled until a future meeting when Commissioner Hall will be present to report.

**Ongoing Concerns from Chatham:**

- Commissioner Burke spoke with Mr. Cook at EPA who stated they can require a CPE done by a third party; Curry may be possible team engineer for such a review.

- Sander stated Woodard & Curran were brought on as an outside party to work with us on possible issues with our operations. Burke indicated until all parties were on board with it, a CPE would be a waste of money.

- Woodard & Curran continued to work closely with Dustin at Village of Chatham Utilities to respond to customer concerns.

- Thomas stated Dustin reported recent test results from several houses around Chatham came back with good results.

**Sodium Permanganate Trial:**

- Held reported we received the permit to feed sodium permanganate.

- Trial will begin with feeding for approximately eight hours on February 17. If that goes well, they will follow with feeding for about one day. Samples will be tested at the plant and by a certified lab.

- Held will notify Chatham and New Berlin prior to switching the oxidizer.

**Fluoride Pump:**

- Held explained the pump had not yet been ordered. They were waiting to see whether, following the sodium permanganate trial, there were other pumps available that could be used for this purpose.

**New Business:**

**Insurance Renewal:**

- VanProyen asked if there were any changes to the property listed on the renewal application from Nicoud; she will follow up with Marc Thomas and Tom Roche regarding moving equipment from our insurance to Woodard & Curran.

**Adjournment:**

- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be March 15, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at the water plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester.

MOTION by Sander, second by Burke to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Clerk