

South Sangamon Water Commission  
Minutes of Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners  
April 18, 2017; 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 & Marc Thomas (Woodard & Curran), Max Middendorf (MECO Engineering), Randy Segatto, (Barber, Segatto, et al), Laura VanProyen (SSWC), Bill Brown (Crawford, Murphy & Tilly), Patrick McCarthy (Village of Chatham), Brian Hirshberg (Constellation)  
Darlene Judd, Andrea Parker

**Proceedings:**

- Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairman Joel Sander and roll was taken.

**Constellation Energy Presentation:**

- Brian Hirshberg from Constellation Energy explained the agreement approved in 2015 (5.127 cents per kw hour) is now up for renewal. He presented 24-month (4.473 center per kw hour) and 36-month (4.514 cents per kw hour) options.
- Marc Thomas recommended the 36-month option as current prices are near an all-time low.

MOTION by Hall, second by Bloome to approve Resolution 17-02, A Resolution Authorizing and Approving Electrical Supply Agreement with Constallation NewEnergy, Inc. at a fixed cost of \$0.04514 per kw hour for a period of 36-months..

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

Motion carried.

**Management Report Presented by Dan Held:**

- 2016 CCR must be distributed to retail customers prior to June 30, 2017. Clerk will mail with May bills.

- Held will send MCS to be added to the website.

- Mark Poffenberger contacted Held regarding possible retail tap that would exceed the 250 –foot limit in the current ordinance. Held will have Poffenberger contact the commission directly if he wishes to request a waiver.

- Max Middendorf stated there are a few other homes in the same area who might also benefit from this discussion.

**Engineering Report:**

- Middendorf reported regarding a meeting on April 5 with CMT and Village of Chatham regarding the ground storage tank valve project. Chatham is currently reviewing various quotes.

**Public Comments:**

- Patrick McCarthy stated the Village of Chatham would like to request that the Commission make the change to chloramines. Commissioner Sander said the Commission will consider this and make a decision soon.

Brian Hirshberg left the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes:**

MOTION by Bloome, second by Sander to approve the minutes of the March 22,2017 rescheduled regular meeting as presented.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Laura VanProyen distributed the March 31, 2017 Budget Comparison Financial Statement and a Historical Water Usage Report updated through March, 2017.

**Approval of Open Invoices for Payment:**

- VanProyen distributed the list of open payables totaling \$95,181.56 with the addition of \$52.00 for annual renewal of the post office box in New Berlin.

MOTION by Sander, second by Hall to approve the open payable items totaling \$95,233.56.

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

**Approval of Insurance Renewal Ordinance:**

- Randy Segatto reported that due to time constraints for a new quote, we should renew insurance with Nicoud for this year and plan to begin around December to request bids for the following year.

MOTION by Bloome, second by Hall to approve Ordinance 17-02, an Ordinance Approving the Purchase of Commercial Insurance Coverage from Nicoud Insurance Services.

Voice vote: Hall – yes Bloome – yes Sander – yes Motion carried.

**Discussion of FY2018 Budget:**

- Commissioner Hall opened discussion of the proposed budget.  
- Thomas explained the increase in management fees relate to items coming from the MCPE, adding maintenance of transmission mains and other changes affecting management.

- The term of an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Chatham is coming up December 31, 2017. If they do not renew, or terms are renegotiated, costs for meter readings and other functions currently handled by Chatham may increase.
- McCarthy stated Chatham does not have the necessary equipment to maintain the distribution mains and does not want to (and have not been) making taps.
  
- Held and Thomas discussed possible Capital Improvement Plan projects including Chatham Ground Storage Tank Valve SCADA work and an arc study. No CIP projects were included in the proposed budget.
- Segatto stated CIP projects could be funded from Depreciation, Repair and Replacement funds outside the operating budget.
  
- Further discussion and acceptance of the proposed budget was tabled until the next meeting.
- Held will work with Middendorf to get estimates on some of the proposed CIP projects.

**Retail Rate Increase:**

- Approval of the Retail Rate Increase Ordinance was tabled until the May 16 regular meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Retail Tap Rates:**

- Held provided information showing the items needed for retail taps; every tap is different. He recommended changing the pricing of taps from a flat rate to actual costs with a small markup to cover our time. Boring, if needed, would continue to be paid directly by the customer.
- Segatto will prepare an ordinance for the May meeting setting the rate for taps to be the actual cost estimate plus 2%.
- Commissioner Sander and Held will update the website.

**Bulk Water Equipment:**

- Held asked for guidance from the Commission regarding what should be the next step in communicating with Village of Rochester.
- Segatto suggested we send a letter to the Mayor of Rochester proposing a shared plan for bulk water sales in Rochester along our transmission main.
- Chairman Sander will work with VanProyen to prepare a letter.

**New Business:**

- There was no new business.

**Adjournment:**

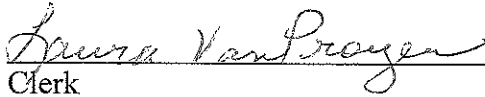
- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be May 16, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the water plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois.

MOTION by Bloome, second by Hall to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Clerk