

South Sangamon Water Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
May 19, 2015; 3:00 p.m.
Water Plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois

Commissioners:

Present: Terry Burke, Craig Hall, Joel Sander
Absent: none
Quorum: yes

Others Present:

Dan Held & Marc Thomas (Woodard & Curran), Laura VanProyen (SSWC), Max Middendorf (MECO Engineering), Randy Segatto (Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate), Darlene Judd, Keith Osburn

Call to Order:

- Meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m. by Chairman, Terry Burke and roll taken.

Public Comments and Questions:

- Commissioners heard public comments and answered questions regarding management reporting.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Sander, second by Hall to approve the April 21, 2015 regular meeting minutes as presented.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Laura VanProyen distributed financial reports for April 30, 2015 for commissioners' review and discussion.
- The \$20,000 previously approved, but not yet paid, for the New Berlin/Curran-Gardner water main connection is now shown as a separate cash line item.
- The \$60,000 CD which is part of the Depreciation, Repair and Replacement Reserve will mature July 1, 2015. Treasurer will investigate investment possibilities to maximize interest income while maintaining as much liquidity as possible.
- Notice of the June 16, 2015 public hearing on the appropriation budget ordinance was published last week and copies of the tentative ordinance were made available.

Approval of Open Invoices for Payment:

- Treasurer distributed a list of open payables totaling \$120,577.05 for discussion and approval.

MOTION by Hall, second by Sander to approve payment of all open payables.

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

Motion carried.

Operations Report:

- Dan Held reported regarding Woodard & Curran's first partial month operating the plant. Over the next month or two, as the transition is complete, their report format will change and it will be distributed by e-mail to the Commissioners a couple of days prior to the regular meeting.

Well Field Repairs / Capital Improvements:

- Based on well pump test results from April, Woodard & Curran recommended wells 3, 4 and 8 be treated as soon as possible to restore capacity and prevent pump damage. Installation of injection port extensions to meet IEPA permit requirements would reduce treatment costs by approximately \$11,000 per well. Cost to install port extensions was estimated at \$3,900 per well (\$11,700 total for this year).
- Woodard & Curran recommended installation of "donut rings" to prevent further damage on the remaining 9 wells before cold weather at an estimated cost of \$450 per well (\$4,050 total).

MOTION by Sander, second by Hall to approve modification of wells 3, 4 and 8 with injection port extensions as soon as possible and to install "donut rings" on the remaining nine wells before winter at an estimated total cost of \$15,750.

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

- Commissioners agreed to add these Well Field Repairs as well as \$50,000 for other Capital Improvements to the proposed appropriation budget ordinance.

Transmission Line Sampling:

- Woodard & Curran will begin pulling all samples along the distribution mains. Terry Burke will let Chatham know.

Other Open Items:

- Dan Held will forward information to Randy Segatto regarding septic system issues so he can write letters to the appropriate vendors to resolve this matter.

Constellation NewEnergy Authorization:

- Woodard & Curran recommended a 30-month contract with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. to reduce utility costs. By giving Terry Burke authority to sign a Third Party Authorization Agreement and the Contract, the Commission may continue with these rates even if Woodard & Curran were no longer operating the plant.

MOTION by Hall, second by Sander to give Terry Burke authority to sign a Third Party Authorization Agreement and a Contract with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.

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

Curran-Gardner Meters:

- Curran-Gardner recently added customers along the west side of Wesley-Chapel Road. The turbo-type master meter will not pick up the residential usage; they propose to use the residential meter readings for monthly reporting and payment to the Commission. This is their current procedure for their customers along the north side of Mansion Road.
- They would read the master meter monthly which will record any fire protection flow.

Legal Matters Updates:

- Randy Segatto reported he met with Donohue, Brotcke, and Mike Williamsen to discuss the status of the Cahoy litigation. He will continue to meet with other consultants and potential witnesses. The next step will be a Motion for Leave to Amend our CounterClaim to include additional matters that have come up regarding the wells.

Old Business:

- Max Middendorf reported IEPA said pigging system can be permitted in sections as we move forward. Discussion followed regarding various

- Craig Hall asked Attorney Segatto to help the Commission improve its follow up from month to month regarding items discussed at regular meetings.

New Business:

- Discussion regarding how best to handle mowing and snow plowing in the future.
- Dan Held stated we might consider trading or selling the skidsteer and working with Woodard & Curran to find appropriate equipment for their mowing of roadsides and well fields as well as our mowing of CREP land.

- Terry Burke and Joel Sander will contact Chatham and New Berlin to see whether either village has interest in the skidsteer.

- Commissioner Sander will probably not be able to attend the June regular meeting.

Adjournment:

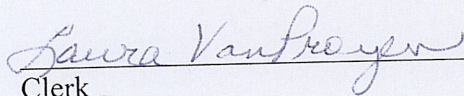
- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be June 16, 2015 at immediately following the public hearing on the appropriation ordinance at 3:00 p.m. at the water plant.

MOTION by Sander, second by Hall to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Clerk