

South Sangamon Water Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
May 20, 2014; 8:30 a.m.
Water Plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois

Commissioners:

Present: Del McCord, Joel Sander

Absent: Craig Hall

Quorum: yes

Others Present:

Dan Held (SSWC), Max Middendorf (Meco Engineering), John Myers (Rabin & Myers), Laura VanProyen (SSWC), Mike Williamsen (Chatham)

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m. by Chairman, Del McCord and roll taken.

- There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Sander, second by McCord to approve the April 22, 2014 special meeting minutes as presented.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Financial Report:

- Laura VanProyen presented financial statements for April 30, 2014 which showed an operating account balance of \$350,960.19.

Approval of Open Invoices for Payment:

- VanProyen distributed a list of open payables totaling \$128,950.17; this included the Petersburg Plumbing invoice for the master meter project. \$11,940.71 had already been paid for utility and chemical bills.

MOTION by Sander, second by McCord to approve payment of all unpaid items listed.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Sander – yes

Motion carried.

Manager's Report by Dan Held:

- Held discussed maintenance, repair and improvement issues in the plant and well field. His written report is attached to these minutes.

CRP Maintenance:

- Matt Peterson (IDNR forester) is working with Held to compose e-mail correspondence to Hal Pyle and Jake (NRCS) regarding natural regeneration as an option for the CREP acreage in the well field.

Chlorine Line Pump:

- The smaller peristaltic pump installed as a demo on the chlorine line is working out very well. Held suggested similar pumps would also benefit the detention tank and the fluoride system.
- Commissioners agreed to purchase this one pump at a cost of \$2,373.90 now and consider additional pumps over the next several months.

Emergency Connections:

- Held will set up a meeting with Commissioner Sander, Curran-Gardner and New Berlin to continue discussions regarding our participation in their extension project.
- Chatham should also consider discussions with Otter Lake about the Babb Road connection.

Green Sand Filter Project:

- Max Middendorf reported possible changes which would extend loan terms from 20 to 30 years for funding this project are about a year away. Illinois Finance Authority and other financing options may also be explored.

Dedicated Backwash Line:

- Now that the air issue is corrected, and once all wells are online following maintenance, Commissioner McCord wants to run the plant at top capacity to finally see what it will do.

Elevated Storage:

- Middendorf continues to work with Chatham looking for an acceptable location for a vault and valve near their ground storage.

IMRF:

- We continue to wait for final acceptance and setup. Held asked that 4-1/2% be deducted from his pay checks and set aside until that process is complete to better prepare him for retroactive participation.

Chlorine Totes:

- Held suggested replacing the bulk chlorine tank with three smaller totes to allow for easier cleaning and less expensive chemical costs. Commissioners agreed he should get pricing for this.

9:45 a.m.

MOTION by Sander, second by McCord to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Regular session was again called to order at 10:10 a.m.

Mowing:

- Held asked to hire a young person to mow around the plant about 4 hours each week for the summer.
- Commissioners agreed, with the expense to be included in Mowing Expense.

Water Quality:

- Sander reported customer complaints of brown water in New Berlin. Held will follow up with Bliss to discuss taking samples and possible flushing.

Adjournment:

- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission will be June 17, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. at the water plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester.

MOTION by Sander, second by McCord to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted


clerk