

South Sangamon Water Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
June 15, 2026
Water Plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester IL

Commissioners:

Present: Jim Roth (Chairman), Cindy Morris, Dave Johnson

Absent: None

Quorum: Yes

Others Present:

Stephen Bivin and Autumn Tibbs (SSWC), Randy Segatto (Barber, Segatto, et. al.) and Max Middendorf (MECO Engineering).

Proceedings:

- The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Jim Roth and roll was taken.

Operating Report:

- Stephen Bivin gave report and discussed highlights of the May 2026 report. He didn't have hard copies printed for everyone, but will email them as soon as its available. During the month of May, the plant pumped 46.615 million gallons from the well field and 39.064 million gallons of finished water. Sampling was within limits. We were a little high on chloride due to a settings glitch.

- Stephen reported that EL Pruitt has completed repairs to our brine tank.

- Stephen reported that Lee Electric has ordered the parts for replacing two lagoon effluent pumps. Stephen informed that he needs to order two new check valves for lagoon pump pit; he'll bring pricing next month.

- Stephen gave an update regarding our Compliance Commitment Agreement (CCA) and testing results. The samples have been submitted; we are just waiting for results.

- Stephen gave an update regarding our CL17 and utilizing HACH or HF Scientific. They are both comparable in price. HACH's quote was higher but they did give us 20% discount across the board. Cost is approximately \$5-6,000 each. HACH is tried and true and does offer a service contract. HF Scientific's system is modular and we can swap out parts ourselves but they don't offer a service contract. Stephen would like to try HF Scientific and have them come to our site, set up their system and allow us to use the system (as a trial run) free of charge for 30 days.

MOTION by Roth, seconded by Johnson to allow Stephen to make the decision whether to utilize HACH or HF Scientific for our CL17 provided that it's within the budget.

Roll call vote: Morris – Yes Johnson – Yes Roth – Yes

Motion carried.

- Stephen reported that we had some issues from 6/11/26 storms. We had some high voltage fuses that blew and needed replaced. Bodine Electric came out and took care of that. Discussion was had regarding whether we need to file another insurance claim. We have a \$5,000 deductible and won't know if it's worth filing a claim until we receive bill from Bodine. We flushed lines and are back online and pushing water. But, the Village of Chatham is not open yet to receive water. Everything should be back to normal by tomorrow.

Engineering Report:

- Max Middendorf reported on the NPDES permit change. He is working with IEPA. They want to see modeling data and diffuser information.

Public Comments:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Johnson, seconded by Roth to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2026 regular meeting as presented.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Autumn Tibbs reported that May's financial report printouts were provided for review. We are in the positive with our revenue being more than expenses thus far this fiscal year.

- Autumn reported that our bond payment is due 6/27/26. Chairman Roth and Autumn will go in to WBSB in the next week to sign wire transfer documents.

- Autumn gave an update regarding our lock box service fee of \$50/month at WBSB. We do not have a physical safe deposit box there. This fee covers them checking our PO Box at the New Berlin post office every day, collecting any customer payments and depositing them.

Approval for Payment of Invoices:

- Autumn Tibbs reported that the vendor payable's printout was provided for review.

- Commissioners reviewed a list of payable items totaling \$80,526.06.

MOTION by Roth, seconded by Johnson to approve payment of all invoices as listed.

Roll call vote: Morris – Yes Johnson – Yes Roth - Yes Motion carried.

Approval for Prepayments:

- Autumn Tibbs reported that a list of prepayments made was provided for review.
- Commissioners reviewed a list of prepayments made 5/13/26 – 6/10/26 totaling \$559.94.

MOTION by Roth, seconded by Morris to approve payment of all prepayments as listed.

Roll call vote: Morris – Yes Johnson – Yes Roth - Yes Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Attorney Segatto gave an update regarding the easement request from Szymanski/Nichols. Discussion was had regarding whether a public utility can be forced to grant an easement when the public utility didn't cause the landlock. Stephen informed that there is another way to get to the property; it's not public or maintained but it was a platted road at one time. This property was landlocked long before SSWC's existence. Maybe we need to purchase some trail camera's to install in the well fields to help us monitor any unauthorized persons.

MOTION by Roth, seconded by Morris to deny the easement request.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Attorney Segatto will let their attorney know.

- Autumn Tibbs gave an update regarding the building that the SSWC Business Office is located in. The building is still for sale; not sold yet. Rochester Station has a 400 sq ft office space for rent for \$850/month. Commissioner Morris may know of some also; she'll bring to next month's meeting.

New Business:

None.

Adjournment:

- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission would be held Monday, July 20, 2026, at the water plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois at 5:30 p.m.

MOTION by Johnson, seconded by Roth to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Autumn Tibbs, Clerk/Treasurer