

South Sangamon Water Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
July 20, 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 June 2026 report. During the month of June, the plant pumped 32.430 million gallons from the well field and 27.119 million gallons of finished water. Sampling was within limits. We were offline for a few days in June due to power outage caused by storm.

- Stephen reported that EL Pruitt was called to repair a leak at retail customer Melissa Singer's location (8562 Cardinal Hill Rd). Her service tap was leaking on our side. We have not received a bill from EL Pruitt yet.

- Stephen reported that there was a voltage spike at the emergency interconnect causing damage to an analog communication card. Dan (SCADAware) was on vacation, so Stephen completed work himself.

- Stephen reported that Lee Electric has ordered the parts for replacing two lagoon effluent pumps.

- Stephen gave an update regarding our Compliance Commitment Agreement (CCA) and testing results. Testing is done. The dumpster should arrive next week.

- Stephen gave an update regarding a decision for our CL17. He decided to try HF Scientific for their free 30-60 days trial period before making a final decision. Their equipment arrived at the plant and is scheduled for installation next week.

Engineering Report:

- Max Middendorf reported on the NPDES permit change. He heard back from DNR; they declined our request to increase limits due to potentially negative impact on endangered wildlife.

Public Comments:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Johnson, seconded by Roth to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2026 regular meeting as presented.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Autumn Tibbs reported that June'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. Our revenue is down a little due to Chatham receiving water from CWLP for a few days in June due to a storm/power outage that caused our plant to be offline.

- Autumn reported that Zumbahlen is planning to present our FY26 Audit results at next month's meeting.

- Autumn reported that Illinois Public Risk Fund is conducting their yearly audit of our worker's compensation insurance. They are taking a good look at the subcontractors we used in FY26 and requesting Certificates of Insurance from them. We do not have results or additional premium due yet but do anticipate an additional amount being due. That will probably be included in next month's vendor payables. Discussion was had regarding not releasing vendor payment's to subcontractors until we have their current certificate. Attorney Segatto will prepare an agreement with regard to non-bid jobs and their need to provide certificate of insurance before we can submit their invoice for payment.

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 \$75,746.88.

MOTION by Roth, seconded by Morris 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 6/11/26 – 7/14/26 totaling \$628.52.

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. He informed them of our denial to their request. He has not heard anything back from them.
- 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. Commissioner Morris may have an option for us in New Berlin. It is not available yet but should be soon.

New Business:

- Chairman Roth reported that we have a proposal from Crawford, Murphy & Tilly (CMT) to review and approve regarding them providing us with a preliminary engineering report on the installation of a lime softening system and assisting us with IEPA financing. This is in response to recent customer complaints. CMT would help us determine the work involved and the cost of the project. Discussion was had regarding adding a lime softening system or clarifier(s) to remove iron and manganese. Discussion was had regarding utilizing the money currently budgeted for brine hauling, that we would no longer need, to help fund this project. MECO did a study about 10 years ago regarding greensand filters that may be helpful. This could save us from having to add another new well.

MOTION by Morris, seconded by Johnson to approve the "2026 Standard Agreement for Professional Services" with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly for the above-mentioned services not to exceed \$65,000.

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

Chairman Roth signed the agreement and will hand deliver to CMT. Attorney Segatto will prepare the Resolution for Chairman Roth to sign.

Adjournment:

- The next regular meeting of the South Sangamon Water Commission would be held Monday, August 17, 2026, at the water plant, 9199 Buckhart Road, Rochester, Illinois at 5:30 p.m.

MOTION by Roth, seconded by Morris to adjourn.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Autumn Tibbs, Clerk/Treasurer