

Utility Commission Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2013

Approved

Call to Order @ 5:34 pm by Joe Madden, Utility Commission President

Roll Call. Campfield, Lange, Eno and Madden. Also, Brown, Collins, Rinderer. Krueger absent. Steward absent.

Campfield/Eno to approve minutes from February 19, 2013. All ayes. Carried

Public Comment:

None

Well #4 Progress Report:

Not much going on with well until spring. Collins reported that the gravel on the driveway has washed away. He thinks that we may need to blacktop the steep part but not the whole driveway, at least all at once. Collins will talk to Engineers to be sure we got the gravel that was in the specifications. Collins reported that the well is functioning great however need to keep an eye on the iron bacteria levels.

Powerhouse Floodproofing Project:

Rinderer stated that on April 6th the City will be having a mock emergency drill at the powerhouse which will be good practice given the new flood proofing measures. Windows and fence are to be done yet this spring. Rinderer would like to look at the possibility of purchasing the home next to the powerhouse for building expansion and would like this to be an item for future discussion.

Discussion on cross connection ordinance.

Collins presented information on updating our existing cross connection ordinance to allow for updated rules and regulations.

Campfield/Eno to update original cross connection ordinance as required. Final draft to be presented to Commission for final approval. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion on Brunner metering and interruptible.

Rinderer discussed the new meter and Ethernet connection for Brunner meter. Brunner will be responsible for some costs per our PSC service rules. Further discussion regarding Brunner interruptible contract and the need for an updated contract and the possibility of including new EPA language. Rinderer to provide EPA info to Brunner and to Mark Steward for including in updated interruptible contract.

Sewer and Water Superintendent Report:

Collins presented request for donation to Wisconsin Rural Water Association. Everyone in agreement that WRWA is valuable resource.

Campfield/Eno to approve \$250 donation to WRWA building/training center to be split between water and sewer. All ayes. Carried.

Discussion regarding insulation and ventilation at powerhouse. Collins will bring bids and place on agenda for next meeting. Discussion regarding variable speed motor for the aerator. This may help address the phosphorus discharge limit that is in our permit. Collins will bring bids and place on agenda for next meeting.

Collins inquired about the status of the sewer debt refinance as the sewer department will need major upgrades in seven – nine years. This will be discussed at future meeting with Administrator Steward present. Collins discussed meeting that he has attended with Steward regarding phosphorus mandates and other communities that will be affected. More info to follow.

Bills:

Eno/Lange to approve bills as presented. Roll Call. Ayes. Carried. Madden abstained from approving check#26732 for Madden Petro.

Eno/Lange to adjourn at 7:40 pm. All ayes. Carried.

Carole Brown
Utility Clerk