

South Sangamon Water Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
December 20, 2011 – 8:30 a.m.
Greene & Bradford conference room, 3501 Constitution Dr, Springfield IL

Commissioners:

Present: Del McCord, William Pfeffer, Craig Hall

Absent: none

Quorum: yes

Others Present:

Terry Burke (SSWC), Stan Bersin (Greene & Bradford), Herb Butler (American Water), Steve Frank (New Berlin), Tim Hasara (SSWC), Shane Hill (Chatham), JJ Moffat (Total Energy Concepts), John Myers (Rabin & Myers), Joe Pisula (Donohue), Ron Vancil (SSWC), Laura VanProyen (SSWC), Mike Williamsen (Chatham)

Proceedings:

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

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve minutes of November 15, 2011 regular meeting.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurer Pfeffer presented the 11/30/11 and 12/15/11 balance sheets. The 12/15/11 report includes payment of interest due 1/1/2012 on Series 2010 bonds and reflects the following available construction fund balances:

Warren-Boynton State Bank	\$ 70,941.79
Series 2011 Bonds Line of Credit	<u>2,990,000.00</u>
	\$ 3,060,941.79

- Warren-Boynton State Bank general operating funds at 12/15/11 of \$41,054.40.

Open Invoices for Payment:

- Pfeffer presented the open payables list for construction-related items totaling \$512,257.94 and \$1,248.07 for non-construction items.

MOTION by Hall, second by Pfeffer to approve payment of all open payables as presented.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Motion carried.

Resolution Approving Abatement of 2011 Real Estate Tax:

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve Resolution 11-01, "A Resolution Abating the Direct Annual Real Estate Tax in the Amount of \$1,486,469.38 for the Year 2011 Levied Pursuant to Ordinance 10-33"

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

Resolution Approving 2012 Regular Meeting Dates:

- Meeting dates will remain the third Tuesday of each month, except March which will be the second Tuesday due to conflicts

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve Resolution 11-02, "A Resolution Establishing Regular Meeting Dates for 2012"

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

Ordinance Approving CRP Operator Agreement with Mendenhall:

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to approve Ordinance 11-15, "An Ordinance Approving a CRP Operator Agreement"

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

Mendenhall Easement:

- John Myers stated we will owe Mendenhalls \$15,000 for their wellsites and approximately \$6,800 for their easement late this month or early in 2012 when the exact locations are finalized.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall, to approve payment to Mendenhalls for 2 wellsites and an easement per the previously approved contract.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

Heissinger Easement:

- Deferred until February meeting.

Brine Hauling Bids:

- Tim Hasara recommended we use one or more local trucking companies on an hourly basis of approximately \$80 to \$85 per hour for the first two to six months. This will allow time to collect data on which to base the bid process.

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall, to approve the expense necessary to provide brine hauling services for up to the first six months of operation.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

Total Energy Concepts Response Presentation:

- JJ Moffat presented additional information regarding installing voltage conditioning units at the plant (9 units) and the New Berlin pump station (1 unit) at an installed price of \$23,700.
- Terry Burke recommended the need for such a unit at the New Berlin pump station.
- Joe Pisula reported Donahue continues to recommend the protection devices already in the plans for the plant are sufficient.
- Discussion indicated this can be revisited in the future and units can be added later with about two week lead time.

MOTION by Hall, second by Pfeffer, to install one unit at the New Berlin pump station at an installed price of \$2,370.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

J.U.L.I.E. Membership:

- Discussion indicated it is time to become a member of J.U.L.I.E.
- Chairman McCord appointed a subcommittee including Commissioner Hall, Terry Burke and Ron Vancil to meet next week to look into locator service options and information needed to make a decision at the next meeting

MOTION by Hall, second by Pfeffer, to join J.U.L.I.E.

Roll call vote: McCord – yes Pfeffer – yes Hall – yes Motion carried.

Old Business:

CRP Land Maintenance:

- Commissioner McCord reported he and John Myers met with federal representatives regarding CRP land requirements for tree removal.
- Ron Vancil will look into methods and cost for possible tree removal.

Hydrant Controls:

- Stan Bersin reported Gary Kuntzman’s findings regarding possible locking/control valves for flushing hydrants.
- Discussion regarding which hydrants should be protected.
- Discussion regarding need to communicate with fire departments regarding expectations of the pipeline for firefighting services.
- Bersin and Kuntzman will meet with Tim Hasara to bring a proposed solution to the January meeting.

Wells:

- Vancil reported we have nine wells drilled (one producing with three more set to produce within a month). Cahoy suggests we abandon wellsite #4 – alternately we could move a short distance to the northwest and retry with another supply well. We already have an investment in the main, roadway and equipment in this area.
- Commissioners agree to minimize our loss by retrying in the area of wellsite #4.

MOTION by Hall, second by Pfeffer, to authorize Ron Vancil to move well #4 appropriately to retry with another supply well.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

Marketing:

- Vancil asked whether we should consider a logo, mission statement or other marketing.
- Commissioner Hall will contact Chatham and New Berlin high schools to set up a contest for students to design a logo.

Taps:

- Discussion regarding tap fees and procedures.
- Tim Hasara will meet with engineers to establish specifications and protocols for taps/connections as well as for group main extensions including who will make the taps and requirements for plumbers running connections.

Adjournment:

MOTION by Pfeffer, second by Hall to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote: Motion carried.

- The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Clerk