CITY OF FRANKLIN BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 20, 2013 MINUTES

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:

Chairman Grobner called the regular meeting of the Franklin Board of Water Commissioners to order at 5:15 p.m., on August 20, 2013 at Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present at this regular meeting were Commissioners Grobner, Bate, Graef, Schubilske and Peterson. Also present were Manager Bennett, Assistant Manager Romeis, Superintendent Roberts, Deputy Finance Director Rotzenberg and Consultant Kaempfer.

CITIZEN COMMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE:

None

MINUTES APPROVED:

Commissioner Graef moved, seconded by Commissioner Bate to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

VOUCHER LIST/FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Motion made by Commissioner Bate seconded by Commissioner Graef to approve the Vouchers for July, 2013 in the amount of \$98,380.62. Motion carried.

VOUCHER LIST/FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Motion made by Commissioner Graef seconded by Commissioner Bate to approve the Vouchers for August, 2013 in the amount of \$1,581,844.16. Motion carried.

REPORTS ON WATER SYSTEM PERFORMANCE:

Manager Bennett reported that the system is performing well. Necessary repairs being evaluated and incorporated with the road program.

Received estimated cost from Dixon to repair leaking gasket and manway Drexel tower by Horizon. Contract retainer being held.

Rate case lawsuit settled with neutral outcome with PSC judgement.

OLD BUSINESS

SCADA SYSTEM UPDATE:

West zone of the water system, except Puetz metering site & all but one lift station moved to new system. St. Martins lift station is part of the next phase, very involved. Flow control sites to follow. One month to completion.

STATUS OF ST. MARTINS ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION TO S. CHAPEL HILL DRIVE:

Common Council has unanimously approved project. Contract expected with Kaempfer & Associates for design.

A preliminary design has been submitted for review by Kaempfer.

PROPOSED SEWER/WATER BUILDING:

Staff recommended revisions for separation of office space & operations. Mayor to review and hopefully offer approval. Estimated cost is \$2.5 - \$3.0 million. Impact fees availablily for future use of portions of the building.

No additional funding for design is required at this time. Staff to set up meeting with Mayor.

ABANDONMENT PLAN OF WELLS:

Estimate \$25,000-\$30,000 for each abandonment. Perform over a couple of years. Well No. 5 most complex, resulting in a cost to abandon closer to \$35,000-\$40,000. Have 5 years to complete abandonment after taking out of service. All but one well on easements. Well #8 on lot that could possibly be sold.

Staff to update plan for Committee review.

NEW BUSINESS

SIX MONTH FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Water purchased down 16% this quarter. Purchased water costs, however, increased over last year. Doing well up to this point. A rate increase was considered.

WATER RATE INCREASES:

Aniticpate a 3% increase for a simplified rate case.

Motion made by Commissioner Graef seconded by Commissioner Bate to file for a simplified rate case. Motion carried.

SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO A RATE ADJUSTMENT PROCESS FOR MILWAUKEE WATER WORKS: For informational purposes only.

WATER USE 2012 – 2013 COMPARISON:

It is believed water use is down due to wet spring.

WATER RELAY – SCEPTER

CIRCLE:

Leaks and faulty piping has lead to the need to replace this 50 years old main.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion by Commissioner Bate seconded by Commissioner Schubilske to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Gilmeister Recording Secretary Board of Water Commissioners