## CITY OF FRANKLIN BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS DECEMBER 20, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

The regular meeting of the Franklin Board of Water Commissioners was held on December 20, 2016 and called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman Grobner in the Lower Level Conference Room, Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present at this regular meeting were Commissioners Grobner, Graef, Peterson and Takerian (arrived at 5:18 p.m.). Also present were Manager Morrow, Assistant Manager Romeis, Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg, and Superintendent Roberts. Excused was Commissioner Schubilske

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD AND CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Commissioner Graef moved to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2016 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

**VOUCHER LIST:** 

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the Vouchers for December, 2016 in the amount of \$434,199.84. Seconded by Commissioner Graef. All voted Aye; motion carried.

REPORT ON WATER SYSTEM PERFORMANCE:

DISTRIBUTION & COLLECTION/ ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS UPDATE: Superintendent Roberts distributed & reviewed Distribution & Collection/Administrative Operations summary report for the past month.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

POTENTIAL REAPPLICATION OF OAK CREEK WATER AND SEWER UTILITY, MILWAUKEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN, TO CONSTRUCT PUMPING AND WATER STORAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND NEW DESINFECTION FACILITIES AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND POTENTIAL PROVISION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY BY THE UTILITY TO THE CITY OF WAUKESHA AS RELATED TO THE UTILITY SERVICE AND ALSO AS RELATED TO THE FRANKLIN

Commissioner Takerian moved to enter closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat § 19.85(1)(e) to deliberate upon terms and provisions of a potential reapplication of Oak Creek Water and Sewer Utility, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, to construct pumping and water storage improvements and new disinfection facilities at the water treatment plant; and the potential provision of public water supply by the Utility to the City of Waukesha as related to the Utility service and also as related to the Franklin Municipal Water Utility and its customers; and the potential negotiation of terms in relation thereto, including, but not limited to potential amendments to the Agreement for Oak Creek to Provide Water at Wholesale to Franklin, and the investing of public funds and governmental actions in relation thereto, for

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competitive and bargaining reasons, and to reenter open session at the same place thereafter to act on such matters discussed therein as it deems appropriate. Seconded by Commissioner Graef. On roll call, all voted Aye; motion carried.

Did not go into closed session.

Manager Morrow distributed and reviewed Ruekert-Mielke letter of November 29, 2016 regarding Oak Creek's upgrades impact on Franklin.

FIRE HYDRANTS IN PRIVATE LAND/EASEMENTS UPDATE:

Manager Morrow indicated still being worked on.

SUSTAINABLE WATER IN FRANKLIN (SWIF):

Manager Morrow reviewed SWIF summary of efforts for December. Based on AWWA formulas, our system is expected to lose 36 million gallons a year. Per ME Simpson, estimated 44 million gallons lost this year, but believe we found and fixed everything we could have in 2016.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

EARLY RELEASE OF CHECKS:

Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg asked the Board for permission to release customer refund checks less than \$1,000 and pay Verizon cell phone bills to avoid late fees prior to Board approval, if necessary.

Commissioner Graef moved to allow Accounts Payable to release customer refund checks less than \$1,000 and pay Verizon cell phone bills to avoid late fees, if necessary, prior to Board approval. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

REQUEST FOR WATER SERVICE AT 9518 W. ST. MARTINS ROAD:

Manager Morrow indicated he received a call from property owners of 9518 W. St. Martins Road requesting an extension of water to their property due to well issues. Rosaura & Juan Sanchez were present at meeting. They indicated their plumber inquired about extending from W. Puetz Road but this is not an option due to distance and need for land rights (easements). The Sanchez' indicated that apparently the lines to the well were damaged. Board agreed to pay for reimbursement of water main oversizing (8" to 16") if property owners decide to extend water instead of drilling a well.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** 

Tabled to next month.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Peterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Takerian. All voted Aye; motion carried.