

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
JULY 17, 2012
MINUTES**

**TIME AND PLACE
OF MEETING:** Chairman Grobner called the regular meeting of the Franklin Board of Water Commissioners to order at 5:34 p.m., On July 17, 2012 at Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

**ATTENDANCE AND
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Present at this regular meeting were Commissioners Grobner, Peterson, Graef, Bate and Schubilske Also present were Manager Bennett, Assistant Manager Romeis, Superintendant Kainz and Consultants Chris Kaempfer, Alexandra Eischenbaum, and Herbert Schauer.

**CITIZEN COMMENT AND
CORRESPONDENCE:** None

MINUTES APPROVED: Commissioner Graef moved, seconded by Commissioner Peterson to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2012 meeting. Motion carried.

**VOUCHER LIST/FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS:** Motion made by Commissioner Schubilske seconded by Commissioner Graef to approve the Vouchers for July, 2012 in the amount of \$327,620.78. Motion carried.

**REPORT ON WATER SYSTEM
PERFORMANCE** Staff reported that due to extremely dry conditions that water usage has been rising. On July 16, the utility experienced the all time peak day of 6.77 MGD. Second quarter water usage was up a third (1/3) higher than this same time period last year.

The Wireless communication companies have started removal of their equipment from Drexel Avenue Water Tower in preparation for the sandblasting and painting expected to begin on August 1st.

Staff distributed a draft letter going out to the customers that will be experiencing lower than normal pressure when the water tower is out of service during the re-painting. Staff also is recommending a water restriction placed on those customers as a NO SPRINKLING ban from 5:00 am to 9:00 pm.

Motion by commissioner Graef authorizing the Utility Manager to impose a sprinkling restriction for those residents in the west district, between 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 am. Notifying the City Aldermen prior to imposing the Sprinkling Ban. Seconded by Commissioner Bate. Motion carried.

Superintendent Kainz reported experiencing more breaks and lateral repair due to extremely dry conditions.

Control Cabinets have overloaded due to high temps. There are portable air conditioners that can be attached, and will look at prices to upgrade the cabinets.

In preparation of the Drexel tower being out of use during the painting process, crew has started running pumps to experience conditions. Pump capacity appears adequate. To control the tower without taking the fire station out of service a valve will be cut into the main to the tower.

OLD BUSINESS

W.PUETZ ROAD BOOSTER PUMP STATION AND CONNECTING PIPELINES

Booster Station is now completed as the Board witnessed with the tour of the building prior to tonight's meeting. A few punch list items remain for completion.

STATUS OF OAK CREEK WATER RATE INCREASE

The PSC has recently made a determination on the Rate Case. Notification to be received soon.

OPTION FOR SHARING FOR CONTESTING THE RATE CASE

Staff forwarded an e-mail from the City Attorney objecting to attempting to share cost with Calendonia.

Staff will research previous minutes referencing any cost sharing with Caledonia and report back at the next meeting.

DISCUSSION OF WAUKESHA'S REQUEST TO PURCHASE GREAT LAKES WATER

Waukesha is looking at a number of alternatives for purchasing water, one of which is Oak Creek with transmission mains through Franklin. At this time no further action is being taken.

FINISH ON CONCRETE FLOOR AT THE PUETZ ROAD BOOSTER STATION

Motion by Commissioner Graef, seconded by Commissioner Peterson to authorize Superintendent Kainz to proceed with painting the concrete floor at the Puetz Road Booster Pump station if the bids are less than quoted as an estimate. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

FLOURIDATED MUNICIPAL DRINKING WATER

Representative Alex Eichenbaum from Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin presented the Commission with packet where the Department of Health and Human Services has proposed a recommendation to change the community water fluoridation. Asking the City of Franklin for a letter of support promoting the continuation of community water fluoridation in Wisconsin.

FIRE HYDRANT MAINTENANCE PROPOSAL

Superintendent Kainz proposes the City set up a 5 year painting program for all the hydrants. This would be a 4 step program, running approximately \$82 per hydrant with a total of 2200 hydrants and would suggest including this in next year's capital budget.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Commissioner Bate seconded by Commissioner Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Warner
Recording Secretary