

CITY OF FRANKLIN  
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
OCTOBER 21, 2014  
MEETING 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 October 21, 2014 at Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present at this regular meeting were Commissioners Grobner, Peterson, Graef, Bate and Schubilske. Also present were Acting Manager Romeis, Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg, Superintendent Roberts, Chris Kaempfer. Mayor Olson introduced the new City Engineer/Director of Public Works Glen Morrow.

CITIZEN COMMENT AND  
CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2014 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Graef. Motion carried.

VOUCHER LIST:

Commissioner Bate moved to approve the Vouchers for October, 2014 in the amount of \$149,297.95. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. Motion carried.

REPORTS ON WATER SYSTEM  
PERFORMANCE:

Superintendent Roberts reported there was a water main break on W. Rawson Avenue in the 3300 block. It was fixed the same day and concrete pavement was in place the following morning. The response by Wanasak was commendable.

Superintendent Roberts reported that approximately 8 years ago the Water Utility was directed to take over the maintenance of the fire hydrants in the Industrial Park. They were not installed to City standards and have resulted in costly repairs. Superintendent Roberts will get an inventory of all the fire hydrants in easements by the January meeting.

Superintendent Roberts reported that in September a sanitary sewer inspection was performed by the DNR. Scored an A-/B+. We do need to respond to some items. We will report back with a summary at next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

WATER AND WASTEWATER  
UTILITY BUILDING UPDATE:

Acting Manager Romeis reported that the PSC approved the application for construction of the Water and Wastewater Utility Building.

PSC ACTION TAKEN:

**COMMON COUNCIL ACTION  
TAKEN:**

The Common Council approved the award of bid to Miron Construction for \$2.7 million and total project cost of \$3.2 million for the construction of the new Water and Wastewater Utility Building.

Commissioner Graef moved to approve Miron Construction for the construction of the new Water and Wastewater Utility Building. Seconded by Commissioner Bate. Motion carried.

**LEAK ELIMINATION PROGRAM  
(WATER LOSS STUDY)**

**ISI WATER COMPANY  
CONTRACT:**

Commissioner Graef moved to approve the water loss contract with ISI. Seconded by Commissioner Bate. Motion carried

**WATER SYSTEM REPAIRS ON  
S. 76<sup>TH</sup> STREET UPDATE:**

Repair to the west side of S. 76<sup>th</sup> Street are minimal.

**WATER SYSTEM MODIFICATION  
FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF  
S. 27<sup>TH</sup> STREET:**

Acting Manager Romeis reported that staff has submitted to the State through their consulting firm Mead & Hunt special provisions and quantities to be part of the bid packet.

**ST. MARTINS ROAD WATER MAIN  
EXTENSION UPDATE:**

Acting Manager Romeis reported that a survey letter was sent out to 45 property owners on October 13, 2014. To date 17 surveys have been returned, 14 against and 3 in favor of the water main extension.

**WATER SYSTEM STUDY 2009  
INSERT/2014 UPDATE PROPOSAL:**

Chris Kaempfer reviewed potential updates to the 2009 Water System Study and will report at November meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 WATER  
UTILITY FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Delayed until November meeting

**WATER BILLED USAGE – 3<sup>RD</sup>  
QUARTER COMPARISON:**

Delayed until November meeting.

**DECLARATION OF OFFICIAL  
INTENT FOR WATER &  
WASTEWATER FACILITY:**

Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg reported that staff is recommending that the Water Utility borrow \$1.3 million on a 20 year term loan.

Commissioner Graef moved to authorize Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg to sign Declaration of Official Intent for the Water & Wastewater Facility. Seconded by Commissioner Bate. Motion carried.

**2015 WATER UTILITY BUDGET:**

**CAPITAL ITEM REQUESTS:**

Acting Manager Romeis reviewed 2015 Capital requests totaling \$590,250 with the primary project being the water main relay on Scepter Circle & Scepter Court for an estimated \$350,000.

Commissioner Schubilske moved to approve the 2015 Capital Budget of \$588,250. Seconded by Commissioner Bate. Motion carried.

OPERATING BUDGET:

Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg reviewed 2015 Operating Budget. He indicated that a \$220,000 expenditure was added to the 2014 Year End Estimate for S. 76<sup>th</sup> Street cost to modify the system.

Commissioner Graef moved to approve the 2015 Operating Budget as presented at today's meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. Motion carried.

S. 68<sup>th</sup> STREET INSTALLATION OF  
12" EZ INSERT CUT-IN VALVE  
FOR THE HOUSE OF  
CORRECTION:

Superintendent Roberts distributed and reviewed two quotes for installing a 12" EZ insert valve on S. 68<sup>th</sup> Street water main near the House of Corrections.

Commissioner Bate moved to approve the Ferguson quote not to exceed \$13,000. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Bate moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Gilmeister  
Recording Secretary  
Board of Water Commissioners