

BOARD OF WATERWORKS COMMISSIONERS - 4: 00 PM (Wednesday, February 13, 2019)Generated by Joe Trueblood on Thursday, February 14, 2019

Members present:

Gerald Van De Kreeke, Ray Haen, Mark Smith

Staff/officials:

Superintendent Joe Trueblood

1. OPENING OF MEETING

1.1 Pledge of AllegianceAll present honored the flag

2. MINUTES

2.1 Approval of minutes from the January 21, 2019 meetingCommissioner Haen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the minutes.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Financial reportsFinancial reports are not available due to annual audit.

3.2 Superintendent's report including operations and construction-maintenanceSuperintendent reviewed the reports.

Three water main breaks occurred during January, which is normal.

Other work focused on preparations for activating the Horizon Drive water tower.

Motion by Commissioner Haen, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke, to accept the reports.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. ITEMS PREVIOUSLY HELD OVER FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

4.1 Lead water service replacement program Superintendent reported on ongoing review of the proposed ordinance involving a lead service lateral replacement program.

4.2 Raw water improvements/intake project No update.

4.3 Water demand study No update

4.4 Horizon Drive water tower project Superintendent reported that the new water tower is now up and running as planned.

Start-up difficulties included improperly installed yard piping, which had to be excavated and replaced;

freeze-up of water left standing in the riser pipe during bitter weather conditions;

and uncalibrated water level sensors, which contributed to confusion over the actual water level in the tank.

With all of those now resolved, remaining work includes interior insulation, hook-up of additional equipment such as a chlorine analyzer, final coatings, and yardwork:

the latter will not occur until springtime.

With the water tower now in place, the Utility has more than doubled its stored water capacity in the southside boosted pressure zone.

Although located in the new Southpointe Enterprise campus, the new water tower serves the entire boosted pressure zone, which extends northward to the pumping station near Horace Mann school.

With the new tower in operation, the Utility will then be able to take the existing water tower at Gateway Drive out of service later this year for extensive maintenance work.

4.5 Clear well sluice gate and bypass No update.

4.6 Georgia Avenue pump station No update.

5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

5.2 Review bids for North Avenue water main replacement Superintendent reviewed bids for the water main replacement project on North Avenue, from N. 21 st to N. 15 th Street, which will precede the WDOT street reconstruction project.

The project includes 2,440 LF of 12 inch water main replacement, along with various appurtenances, and lead lateral replacements from the main to curb stop.

Engineering anticipates encountering bedrock, and this will require rock ledge removal.

The following bids were received:

David Tenor Co. at \$654,145.00 ;

Advance Construction at \$744,835.00 ;

Vinton Construction at \$746,633.00 ;

Jossart Brothers at \$800,910.00 ;

PTS Contractors at \$\$958,995.00 ;

and Buteyn-Peterson at \$1,183,600.00.

Commissioner Haen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to accept the lowest responsive bid from David Tenor Corp.

Motion carried unanimously.

5.3 Review bids for North Avenue lead water lateral replacements Superintendent reviewed bids for water service replacements on the North Avenue water main project, extending from the curb stop in to the water meter.

These are all replacements of old lead water laterals.

The work includes rebuilding the meter setting, electrical ground, and 600 LF of lateral replacement.

The following bids were received:

Edgewater Plumbing at a cost of \$80,880.00 ;

and Korff Plumbing LLC at \$75,870.00.

Commissioner Van De Kreeke made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Haen, to accept the lowest response bid from Korff Plumbing LLC.

Motion carried unanimously.

5.4 Review 2018 Customer Relations & Fiscal report Superintendent reviewed the report as prepared by the CRF Supervisor.

There was discussion of sharing the report with City staff members in some manner.

Overall, the Utility is approaching its goal of replacing all manual meters with radio meters.

Social media contacts continue to grow.

Other information depicted work on disconnections, property transfer, late fees, and other elements.

5.5 Approve vouchers Commissioner Smith made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke, that gross payroll for January of \$162,975.63 and general vouchers of \$796,156.24 be allowed and accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. PERSONNEL

6.1 Update on personnel vacancies Superintendent noted that Mr. McMillan is on his first week as Distribution Supervisor working closely with Supervisor Rich Dale.

The Utility is currently recruiting for a Distribution Technician to work on the CM crew.

7. NEXT MEETING

7.1 Next meeting will take place on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 4: 00 pm.

8. ADJOURN

8.1 Motion to Adjourn Commissioner Smith made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke, to adjourn at 4: 40 pm.

Motion carried unanimously.

Signed:

Mr. Mark Smith, Secretary

Signed:

Mr. Joe Trueblood, Superintendent