



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Waterworks Commission

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Tuesday, March 15, 2022

4:00 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 227

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#### Roll Call

**PRESENT:** 7 - Natalia Taft, John Tate II, Shannon Powell, Matthew Rejc, Cory Mason, Paul Vornholt and Trevor Jung

**EXCUSED:** 1 - Stacy Sheppard

[0161-22](#)

**Subject:** Approval of Minutes of the January 18, 2022 Meeting

**Recommendation:** Approve

**A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Secretary Taft, that this file be Approved**

[0163-22](#)

**Subject:** Budget Expenditures for December 2021 Totaling \$2,733,187.00

**Recommendation:** Receive and File

*Highlights of the financial report given by office manager, Ken Scolaro*

**A motion was made by Secretary Taft, seconded by Jung, that this file be Received and Filed**

[0070-22](#)

**Subject:** Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-20-3, STH 20, CTH H and 90th Street Water Main Alterations, The Wanasek Corp. (Contractor)

**Recommendation:** Approve

*Interim General Manager presented change order no. 1 on Contract W-20-3 in a credit amount of (\$11,978.62) bringing the total contract amount to \$414,985.38 and recommended for approval.*

**A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Secretary Taft, that this file be Approved**

[0071-22](#)

**Subject:** Request for Final Payment on Contract W-20-3, STH 20, CTH H and 90th Street Water Main Alterations, The Wanasek Corp. (Contractor)

**Recommendation:** Approve

*Interim General Manager submitted final pay request on Contract W-20-3 and recommended for approval that work performed by The Wanasek Corp. (Contractor) be*

*accepted and final payment be authorized for a total contract amount of \$414,985.38.*

**A motion was made by Jung, seconded by Secretary Taft, that this file be Approved**

[0079-22](#)

**Subject:** Change Order No. 4 on Contract W-19-15, 933 Braun Rd Pumping Station, J.H. Hassinger, Inc. (Contractor)

**Recommendation:** Approve

*Interim General Manager presented change order no. 4 on Contract W-19-15 in the credit amount of (\$10,000.00), bringing the total contact amount to \$2,810,651.31, and recommended for approval.*

**A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Jung, that this file be Approved**

[0078-22](#)

**Subject:** Request for Final Payment on Contract W-19-15, 933 Braun Rd Pumping Station, J.H. Hassinger, Inc. (Contractor)

**Recommendation:** Approve

*Interim General Manager submitted final pay request on Contract W-19-15, and recommended for approval that work performed by J.H. Hassinger, Inc (Contractor) be accepted and final payment be authorized for a total contact amount of \$2,810,651.31.*

**A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Rejc, that this file be Approved**

[0170-22](#)

**Subject:** Change Order No. 5 on Contract W-19-11, 48-inch Perry to Newman Transmission Water Main, S.J. Louis Construction. (Contractor)

**Recommendation:** Approve

*Interim General Manager presented change order no. 5 on Contract W-19-11 in the amount of \$61,737.63, bringing the total contract amount to \$15,684,669.15, and recommended for approval.*

**A motion was made by Secretary Taft, seconded by Jung, that this file be Approved**

[0123-22](#)

**Subject:** Bid Opening Results on Contract W-22-3, 2022 Pavement Restoration

**Recommendation:** Approve

*The Interim General Manager submitted the bid results on Contract W-22-3, in the amount of \$335,170.00, and recommended approval to the lowest bidder, that being Conventional Concrete Systems. The Interim General Manager is authorized and directed to execute the contract on behalf of the Water Utility.*

**A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Secretary Taft, that this file be Approved**

[0979-21](#)

**Subject:** Bid Opening Results on Contract W-21-3, 42-inch Water Main

Phase 3

**Recommendation on January 18, 2022:** Defer

**Recommendation on March 15, 2022:** Reject

*Ken Ward of Ruekert-Mielke, addressed the Commission concerns from the January meeting regarding businesses and residents outreach that would be affected by this project. The outreach efforts were completed as directed. It was recommended to reject the bid with the intent to re-bid next year due to concerns of limited customer access causing business hardship following two years of economic conditions from the pandemic.*

**A motion was made by Secretary Taft, seconded by Mayor Mason, that this Communication be Failed. The motion PASSED by the following vote:**

- AYES:** 5 - Taft  
Tate II  
Powell  
Rejc  
Mason

**NOES:** 1 - Jung

**EXCUSED:** 1 - Sheppard

[0980-21](#)

**Subject:** Bid Opening Results on Contract W-21-11, 42-inch Water Main Phase 4

**Recommendation on January 18, 2022:** Defer

**Recommendation on March 15, 2022:** Defer

**Recommendation on April 19, 2022:** Approve

*Ken Ward of Ruekert-Mielke addressed the concerns from the January meeting regarding Utility coordination with grading work done at City park land (Riverside Park, Clayton Park). Additional planning is required with these parks. Other concerns were raised regarding limiting traffic on Kinzie Ave. at the same time as the 6th St. bridge replacement. It was recommended to defer the bid for the Contractor to respond with the counter-proposal that includes the potential for replacing the Osborne Blvd. area water main only in 2022.*

**A motion was made by Secretary Taft, seconded by Mayor Mason, that this Communication be Deferred. The motion PASSED by the following vote:**

- AYES:** 5 - Taft  
Tate II  
Powell  
Rejc  
Mason

**NOES:** 1 - Jung

**EXCUSED:** 1 - Sheppard

**CLOSED SESSION**

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Secretary Taft, to enter into Closed Session.

**AYES:**  
Taft  
Tate II  
Powell  
Rejc  
Mason  
Jung

[0169-22](#)

**Subject:** Communication from Alder John Tate II and Mayor Mason requesting to appear before the Waterworks Commission to recommend the promotion of Mike Gitter to the position of Water Utility Director at Pay Grade R.

**Recommendation:** Approve

*Closed Session Discussion.*

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Secretary Taft, that this file be Approved during Open Session.

**OPEN SESSION**

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Secretary Taft, to enter into Open Session.

**AYES:**  
Taft  
Tate II  
Powell  
Rejc  
Mason  
Jung

**Recommendation:** Approve Item 0169-22 discussed during Closed Session.

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Secretary Taft, that this file be Approved

Commission approved Mike Gitter to the position of Water Utility Director at Pay Grade R.

**Adjournment**

*There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.*

