



City of Racine

Meeting Minutes

Waterworks Commission

City Hall
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*Brian Anderson, William Pugh,
President Ronald D. Hart, Mayor Gary Becker,
Secretary Thomas Friedel, Vice President Michael Staeck,
John Rote*

Tuesday, June 27, 2006

3:45 PM

Wastewater Plant - 2101 S. Wisconsin
Ave.

1. **Roll Call**

PRESENT: Brian Anderson, William Pugh, Ronald D. Hart, Gary Becker, Thomas Friedel, Michael Staeck and John Rote

2. **Approval of Minutes for the May 2006 Meeting**

Commissioner Friedel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pugh, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Waterworks Commissioners held on May 30, 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

to Approve the Minutes

3. **06-2173**

Subject: Budget Expenditures for May 2006 totaling \$1,180,599.55

Recommendation: To approve the budget expenditures for May 2006 totaling \$1,180,599.55

Commissioner Friedel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Staeck, to approve the budget expenditures for May 2006 totaling \$1,180,599.55. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved

4. **Subject:** Project Reports

- A. Membrane Project - Mike Kosterman, Plant Superintendent
- B. Durand Avenue Water Main - Chad Regalia, Staff Engineer
- C. Newman Road Booster Station - Chad Regalia, Staff Engineer
- D. Newman Road Stand Pipe - Chad Regalia, Staff Engineer
- E. State Highway 32/KR/Highway 11 - Dean Oparka, Staff Engineer

Project reports were given by staff.

5. **06-2133**

Subject: Presentation of the 2005 audit from Clifton-Gunderson - James Burdick invited to the meeting

Recommendation: To approve the 2005 audit as presented by Clifton-Gunderson. Further recommended that the audit be forwarded to the Common Council.

James Burdick from Clifton-Gunderson gave an overview of the 2005 audit. He distributed Clifton-Gunderson's Audit Committee letter along with financial statements for

year ending December 31, 2005 and 2004. He noted that total assets were comparable to last year, that net assets increased, and operating income was slightly up over the previous year.

Commissioner Friedel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pugh, to approve the 2005 audit as presented by Clifton-Gunderson. Further recommended that the audit be forwarded to the Common Council. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved

6. [06-2149](#) **Subject:** Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-6, 20" Transmission Main - Phase I, A. W. Oakes & Son (contractor)

Recommendation: To approve Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-6, 20" Transmission Main - Phase I, A. W. Oakes & Son (contractor), decreasing the total contract amount to \$1,409,970.60

The Chief of Operations submitted Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-6 in the credit amount of \$28,969.40 and recommended approval.

Commissioner Anderson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rote, to approve Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-6, 20" Transmission Main - Phase I, A. W. Oakes & Son (contractor), decreasing the total contract amount to \$1,409,970.60. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved

7. [06-2150](#) **Subject:** Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-7, 20" Transmission Main - Phase II, Willkomm Excavating & Grading, Inc. (contractor)

Recommendation: To approve Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-7, 20" Transmission Main - Phase II, Willkomm Excavating & Grading, Inc. (contractor), bringing the total contract amount to \$866,247.46

The Chief of Operations submitted Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-7 in the amount of \$6,716.21 and recommended approval.

Commissioner Pugh made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-05-7, 20" Transmission Main - Phase II, Willkomm Excavating & Grading, Inc. (contractor), bringing the total contract amount to \$866,247.46. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved

8. [06-1971](#) **Subject:** Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-05-8, Newman Road Booster Station, Riley Construction (contractor)

Recommendation: To approve Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-05-8, Newman Road Water Booster Station, Riley Construction Co., Inc. (contractor), bringing the total contract amount to \$2,576,208.13

The Chief of Operations submitted Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-05-8 in the amount of \$3,057.47 and recommended approval.

Commissioner Becker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pugh, to approve Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-05-8, Newman Road Water Booster Station, Riley Construction Co., Inc. (contractor), bringing the total contract amount to \$2,576,208.13. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved

9. [06-2134](#) **Subject:** Electrical easement from WE Energies for the Newman Road Booster Station

Recommendation: To forward this request to the Racine Common Council for adoption. Further recommends that the General Manager be authorized to sign the easement agreement from WE Energies relating to the Newman Road Booster Station project on behalf of the City of Racine.

The Chief of Operations explained that in order to continue on the Newman Road Booster Station project, the Water Utility needed to sign an easement from WE Energies. Approval of this easement will enable WE Energies to install, operate, maintain and replace underground utility facilities, conduit and cables, etc. in order to transmit electric energy and signals. The Chief of Operations recommended approval.

Commissioner Friedel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Becker, to forward this request to the Racine Common Council for adoption. Further recommends that the General Manager be authorized to sign the easement from WE Energies relating to the Newman Road Booster Station project on behalf of the City of Racine. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommended For Adoption

10. [06-2136](#) **Subject:** Request for reduction in retainage for Contract W-05-5, Cathodic Protection 16" & 24" mains

Recommendation: To approve the reduction in retainage request from Willkomm Excavating & Grading, Inc. on Contract W-05-5, Cathodic Protection Installation, from \$2,487.73 to \$87.73

The Chief of Operations noted that the contractor, Willkomm Excavating & Grading, Inc. has requested a reduction in retainage on Contract W-05-5. He recommended that retainage be reduced.

Commissioner Becker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, to approve the reduction in retainage request from Willkomm Excavating & Grading, Inc. on Contract W-05-5, Cathodic Protection Installation, from \$2,487.73 to \$87.73. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved

CLOSED SESSION - It is the intent that the Waterworks Commission convene in closed session pursuant Section 19.85(1)(e) to deliberate regarding the extension and governance of Water facilities because competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. It is also the intent that open session will follow closed session.

Commissioner Friedel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, to move the meeting into closed session at 4:08 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

11. [06-2135](#) **Subject:** Sturtevant Water Utility

Recommendation: Receive and file

Discussion was held regarding the Sturtevant Water Utility.

Considered as Reported

OPEN SESSION

Commissioner Anderson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Friedel, to move the meeting into Open Session at 4:33 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

12. [06-2152](#) **Subject:** Sturtevant Water Utility acquisition

Recommendation: To approve the acquisition of the Sturtevant Water Utility by the Racine Water Utility. Further recommends that this item be referred to the Executive Committee of the Racine Common Council

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in the 2006 Water Utility budget.

Commissioner Friedel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, to approve the acquisition of the Sturtevant Water Utility by the Racine Water Utility. Further recommends that this item be referred to the Executive Committee of the Racine Common Council. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommended For Adoption

13. **Other Business**

The General Manager commended Dan Wright, City Attorney, for the great job he has done for the Racine Water Utility.

14. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Commissioner Anderson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Staeck, to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

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