



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Waterworks Commission

Monday, September 23, 2019

4:00 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 227

Roll Call

OTHERS PRESENT: K Haas, M Gitter, K Scolaro, E Garcia, M Kosterman, J Brunner, B Lui, B Pucely, T Bunkelman

PRESENT: 5 - James Spangenberg, Kathy DeMatthew, Thomas Bunker, Natalia Taft and Cory Mason

EXCUSED: 3 - Terry McCarthy, John Tate II and James Palenick

Approval of Minutes for the August 2019 Meeting

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Bunker, that this file be to Approve the Minutes

[1055-19](#)

Subject: Approval of Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Waterworks Finance Committee held on September 4, 2019

Recommendation: Approve

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

[1056-19](#)

Subject: Approval of Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Waterworks Finance Committee held on September 10, 2019

Recommendation: Approve

A motion was made by Bunker, seconded by Spangenberg, that this file be Approved

[1058-19](#)

Subject: Project Reports:

- A) Update on Vacancies
- B) 2019 Sanitary Survey
- C) CCT Study Update
- D) Rate Case Discussions

Recommendation: Received and File

Project Reports were given by staff

A motion was made by Bunker, seconded by Spangenberg, that this file be

Received and Filed

[1057-19](#)

Subject: Budget Expenditures for August 2019 totaling \$1,675,597.38

Recommendation: Approve

A motion was made by Bunker, seconded by Spangenberg, that this file be Approved

[1084-19](#)

Subject: Bid Opening Results on Contract W-19-19, 2019 Water Main Replacements - Phase 4

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted the bid results on Contract W-19-19 in the amount of \$483,326.00 and recommended approval to the lowest responsible bidder, that being Willkomm Excavating & Grading, Inc..

A motion was made by Spangenberg, seconded by Bunker, that this file be Approved

[1060-19](#)

Subject: Change Order No. 3 on Contract W-18-10, Perry Avenue Pumping Station Improvements, Staab Construction Corp. (Contractor)

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted Change Order No. 3 on Contract W-18-10. This change order was to change completion date only. Keeping the contract amount \$1,081,109.00 and recommended approval.

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

[1094-19](#)

Subject: Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-19-2, 2019 Water Main Replacements - Phase 1, EarthX, LLC (Contractor)

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-19-2 in the credit amount of \$7,705.00, bringing the total contract amount to \$433,980.00 and recommended approval.

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

[1095-19](#)

Subject: Request for Final Payment on Contract W-19-2, 2019 Water Main Replacements - Phase 1, EarthX, LLC (Contractor)

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted final pay request on Contract W-19-2. He recommended that the work performed by EarthX LLC be accepted and final payment be authorized for a total contract amount of \$433,980.00.

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

[1100-19](#)

Subject: Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-19-11, Perry Ave. to Newman Rd. 48" Transmission Water Main, S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. (Contractor)

Recommendation: Defer

A motion was made by DeMatthew, seconded by Mayor Mason, that this file be Deferred

[1062-19](#)

Subject: Developer's Agreement for TID #1 Water Main Extensions Along Red Cloud Dr. and Kilbourn Dr. in the Village of Mt. Pleasant

Recommendation of the Waterworks Commission on 9-23-19:

Approve

FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED TO THE FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

Fiscal Note: The Village of Mount Pleasant will pay for all costs associated with water main design, construction and inspection.

A motion was made by DeMatthew, seconded by Bunker, that this file be Recommended For Approval

[1063-19](#)

Subject: Submittal of the Report of the Finance Committee of the Racine Waterworks Commission regarding Year 2020 Water Utility Operations and Maintenance Budget and the 2020-2024 Capital Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption

Recommendation of the Racine Waterworks Commission on 09-23-19: To Adopt

FURTHER RECOMMEND, THE ITEM BE REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Bunker, that the Operations and Maintenance Budget be Recommended For Adoption. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Bunker, that the Capital Improvements Program Budget be Recommended For Adoption. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

[1077-19](#)

Subject: Amendment No. 2 to Tower and Ground Space Lease to Install 5G US Cellular Antennas at 1506 Perry Ave.

Recommendation: Defer

Discussion was held regarding several water towers available to lease for the 5G upgrade. More research on the project will have to be done to move forward.

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Vice President Taft, that this file be Deferred

[1078-19](#)

Subject: Amendment No. 1 to Tower and Ground Space Lease to Install 5G US Cellular Antennas at 3220 Coolidge Ave.

Recommendation: Defer

Further research to be done by General Manager for the Lease to install 5G Antennas

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Vice President Taft, that this file be Deferred

[1079-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Shakoor, II, requesting to approve the Public Fire Protection Resolution for Cost Recovery Charge Revised

Recommendation of the Waterworks Commission on 09-23-19: To Approve

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 09-23-2019: To approve; passage of this resolution is necessary for the Public Service Commission to advance Racine's application for Public Fire Protection to be placed as a direct charge on the water bill.

Fiscal Note: In 2020, the revenue requirement for the Racine Water Utility is \$3.2 million for the Public Fire Protection with \$1.8 million coming from City of Racine Water Utility rate payers and \$1.4 million coming from non-city rate payers

Discussion was held in regards to the application submitted to the PSC regarding the 25% direct charge on customers outside City limits.

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Bunker, that this file be Recommended For Approval

[1092-19](#)

Subject: Permission to Submit a Notice of Intent to Apply (ITA) for Private Lead Service Replacements for a Future Safe Drinking Water Loan

Recommendation: To Approve

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

[1093-19](#)

Subject: Permission to Submit a Notice of Intent to Apply (ITA) for Low Lift VFD Replacement for a Future Safe Drinking Water Loan

Recommendation: To Approve

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

[1064-19](#)

Subject: Election of Officers**Recommendation:** Approve

Discussion held regarding current President wanting to serve another term. A motion was made to advance that request. The motions failed for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Bunker, to elect the following slate of officers for the Board of Racine Waterworks Commission as proposed:

President: Natalia Taft

Vice President: John Tate II

Secretary: Kathy DeMatthew

The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Commissioner Bunker made a motion, Seconded by Commissioner DeMatthew, to adjourn at 4:40 p.m.