



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Wastewater Commission

*President Thomas Bunker,  
Vice President Robert Lui,  
Secretary Kathy DeMatthew, Mayor John Dickert, Thomas  
Friedel, Alderman Ronald D. Hart,  
Howard Stacey, Chris Wright,  
Alderman James Morgenroth, Anthony Beyer, Chris Larsen,  
Joseph Mandala, Ralph Schwarz, James T. Spangenberg,  
Terry McCarthy, Jerry Garski*

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Tuesday, September 22, 2015

4:30 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 227

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### 1. Roll Call

*OTHERS PRESENT: K. Haas, M. Gitter, K. Scolaro, N. Sanders, C. Adamczyk, M. Klimek, N. Erlandson, A. Wheeler*

**PRESENT:** 11 - John Dickert, Ronald Hart, Joseph Mandala, Thomas Bunker, Robert Lui, Howard Stacey, Anthony Beyer, Kathy DeMatthew, Ralph Schwarz, James Spangenberg and Chris Wright

**EXCUSED:** 5 - Thomas Friedel, James Morgenroth, Terry McCarthy, Jerry Garski and Chris Larsen

### 2. Approval of Minutes for the August 2015 Meeting

**A motion was made by Mandala, seconded by Secretary DeMatthew, that this file be to Approve the Minutes**

### 3. [15-00805](#) **Subject:** Approval of Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Wastewater Finance Committee Held on September 2, 2015

**Recommendation:** Approve

**A motion was made by Secretary DeMatthew, seconded by Hart, that this file be Approved**

### 4. [15-00806](#) **Subject:** Budget Expenditures for August 2015 Totaling \$1,082,264.02

**Recommendation:** Approve

**A motion was made by Hart, seconded by Secretary DeMatthew, that this file be Approved**

### 5. [15-00807](#) **Subject:** Project Reports:

- A) Household Hazardous Waste Event - September 19, 2015
- B) Echo Lane Interceptor Update
- C) Correspondence to the SSR Parties
- D) Mercury PMP for 2014

**Recommendation:** Receive and File

*Project reports were given by staff.*

**Received and Filed**

6. [15-00808](#)

**Subject:** Submittal of the Report of the Finance Committee of the Racine Wastewater Commission Regarding Year 2016 Wastewater Utility Operations and Maintenance Budget and the 2016-2020 Capital Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption

**Recommendation of the Racine Wastewater Commission on 9/22/15:** To adopt

FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**A motion was made by Hart, seconded by Mayor Dickert, that the Wastewater Utility 2016 Operations and Maintenance budget be recommended for Adoption. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

**A motion was made by Hart, seconded by Mayor Dickert, that the Wastewater Utility 2016-2020 Capital Improvements budget be recommended for Adoption. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

7. [15-00810](#)

**Subject:** Approval of New Household Hazardous Waste Rates for 2016

**Recommendation:** Approve a rate of \$4.40 per household for 2016

*The General Manager recommended increasing the rate from \$3.60 to \$4.40 per household for 2016 in order to erase the deficit and deal with the increasing participation.*

**A motion was made by Hart, seconded by Dickert, that this file be Approved**

8. [15-00809](#)

**Subject:** Submittal of the 2016 Sewer Service Rates

**Recommendation of the Racine Wastewater Commission on 9/22/15:** To adopt

FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*The General Manager submitted the 2016 Class 1 and Class 2 Sewer Service Rates.*

**A motion was made by Hart, seconded by Mayor Dickert, that the Class 1 Sewer Service Rates be Recommended For Adoption. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

**A motion was made by Hart, seconded by Mayor Dickert, that the Class 2 Sewer Service Rates be Recommended for Adoption. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

9. [15-00826](#)      **Subject:** General Manager Request for Authorization to Submit Application for Clean Water Fund Loan for Roosevelt-Kinzie Project
- Recommendation:** Approve
- The General Manager requested authorization to submit an application for a Clean Water Fund Loan to the State of Wisconsin. He explained that if the Wastewater Utility submits an application for the Roosevelt-Kinzie project, estimated at \$1.2 million, there's a possibility to receive \$300,000-\$400,000 from the State of Wisconsin in principal forgiveness for this project.*
- A motion was made by Dickert, seconded by Secretary DeMatthew, that this file be Approved**
10. [15-00840](#)      **Subject:** General Manager Request for Authorization to Submit Intent to Apply (ITA) and Priority Evaluation and Ranking Form (PERF) to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for the Lift Station No. 2 Spring Street Project
- Recommendation:** Approve
- The General Manager requested authorization to submit an Intent to Apply (ITA) form and a Priority Evaluation and Ranking Form (PERF) to the Department of Natural Resources for the Lift Station No. 2 Spring Street project. He explained that by submitting these documents, it will give the Wastewater Utility a ranking with the State of Wisconsin and help to receive funds needed for this project in the future. He noted that October 31, 2015, is the deadline to submit these documents.*
- A motion was made by Dickert, seconded by Secretary DeMatthew, that this file be Approved**
11. [15-00825](#)      **Subject:** Sole Source Procurement Request for a Jet Flush Vac Machine
- Recommendation:** Approve
- The General Manager noted that the Wastewater Utility is in need of a new Vactor for cleaning the sewer system. He stated that the Wastewater Utility usually replaces the Vactor every five years and the one they have currently has been in service for six years. He requested sole source procurement from a company by the name of Bruce Municipal Equipment and would cost approximately \$430,000. He also noted that the trade-in value is estimated at \$150,000. He stated that this action would be in the best interest of the Utility.*
- A motion was made by Dickert, seconded by Hart, that this file be Approved**
12. [15-00811](#)      **Subject:** Election of Officers
- Recommendation:** Approve
- The General Manager submitted a list of proposed officers for 2015-2016 and recommended that the following slates of proposed officers be approved:*
- BOARD OF RACINE WASTEWATER COMMISSIONERS:*

*President: Robert Lui  
Vice-President: Kathleen DeMatthew  
Secretary: Joseph Mandala*

*FINANCE COMMITTEE:*

*Chairman: Thomas Bunker  
Alderman James Morgenroth  
Kathleen DeMatthew  
Alderman Ronald Hart  
Joseph Mandala  
Ralph Schwarz  
Chris Wright*

*BUILDING COMMITTEE:*

*Robert Lui  
Chris Wright  
Alderman Ronald Hart  
Thomas Bunker*

**A motion was made by Dickert, seconded by Hart, that this file be Approved**

**13. Adjournment**

*There being no further business, Lui made a motion, seconded by Wright, to adjourn the meeting at 5:18 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.*

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