



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Waterworks Commission

*President John Engel, Vice President James T. Spangenberg,
Secretary Thomas M. Sollman, Mayor John Dickert, Alderman
Ronald D. Hart,
Victor Puente, Kathy DeMatthew, Thomas Friedel*

Tuesday, December 21, 2010

4:00 PM

City Hall Annex - Room 227

1. Roll Call

OTHERS PRESENT: K. Haas, M. Gitter, K. Scolaro, N. Sanders, R. Keland, D. Lynaugh, M. Kosterman, K. Wanggaard, R. Lui, A. Lesnjak, C. Regalia, R. Pace, M. Andreasen, R. King, A. Wheeler

PRESENT: 7 - John Dickert, Victor Puente, Kathy DeMatthew, Thomas Friedel, James T. Spangenberg, John Engel and Ronald D. Hart

EXCUSED: 1 - Thomas M. Sollman

2. Approval of Minutes for the November 30, 2010 Meeting

A motion was made by Vice President James T. Spangenberg, seconded by Ronald D. Hart, that this be to Approve the Minutes. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

3. [10-5905](#)

Subject: Budget Expenditures for November 2010 Totaling \$1,335,568.20

Recommendation: Approve

A motion was made by Vice President James T. Spangenberg, seconded by Ronald D. Hart, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

4. [10-5906](#)

Subject: Project Reports:

- A) Update on Lead and Copper Compliance
- B) Tri-Annual DNR Sanitary Survey held on December 14, 2010
- C) Update on Union Negotiations

Recommendation: Receive and File

Project reports were given by staff.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

5. [10-5833](#)

Subject: Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-10-5, STH 32 Water Main Replacement, C. W. Purpero, Inc. (Contractor)

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted Change Order No. 1 on Contract W-10-5 in the amount of \$8,189.00, bringing the total contract amount to \$195,859.00 and recommended approval.

A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Kathy DeMatthew, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

6. [10-5834](#)

Subject: Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-10-5, STH 32 Water Main Replacement, C. W. Purpero, Inc. (Contractor)

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted Change Order No. 2 on Contract W-10-5 in the credit amount of \$6,866.00, bringing the total contract amount to \$188,993.00 and recommended approval.

A motion was made by Ronald D. Hart, seconded by Kathy DeMatthew, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

7. [10-5835](#)

Subject: Final Payment Request on Contract W-10-5, STH 32 Water Main Replacement, C. W. Purpero, Inc. (Contractor)

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted final pay request on Contract W-10-5. He recommended that the work performed by C. W. Purpero, Inc. be accepted and final payment be authorized for a total contract amount of \$188,993.00.

A motion was made by Vice President James T. Spangenberg, seconded by Ronald D. Hart, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

CLOSED SESSION

It is the intent that the Waterworks Commission convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of a utility employee. It is also the intent that open session will follow closed session.

Vice President James Spangenberg made a motion, seconded by Kathy DeMatthew, to move the meeting into Closed Session at 4:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

8. [10-5916](#)

Subject: Discussion Regarding a Personnel Matter

Discussion was held regarding a personnel issue.

OPEN SESSION

9. [10-5917](#)

Subject: Retirement Announcement of Chief Engineer, Chuck Schweitzer

Recommendation: Accept Resignation

The General Manager noted that he received a letter from the Chief Engineer, Chuck Schweitzer, giving his notice of resignation. He said that his last day of employment with the Utility will be January 7, 2011.

A motion was made by John Dickert, seconded by Ronald D. Hart, to accept Chuck Schweitzer's resignation. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

10. [10-5918](#)

Subject: Consideration of a Report Entitled "Review of Positions and Grades for the Racine Water Utility"

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager noted that since the Chief Engineer has resigned, the Utility decided to downgrade the range for this position based upon a review of similar positions in Southeast Wisconsin, and promote Chad Regalia to the position of Chief Engineer as a result of a restructuring plan for the Racine Water Utility. He stated, in turn, that Chad Regalia's old position of Civil Engineer II would not be filled. The Commission reviewed recommendations for this position, as well as others in the Racine Water Utility, as part of a restructuring of engineering and a review of current duties and responsibilities for other staff as well. The motion is to authorize the General Manager to implement the recommendations as discussed in the restructuring plan and to make changes to job descriptions as necessary to reflect current and future duties necessary and to provide proper compensation as a result of those duty changes as presented to the Commission. The restructuring will reduce staff by one position and save approximately \$110,000.00 in the 2011 budget.

A motion was made by John Dickert, seconded by Ronald D. Hart, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

11. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Alderman Ronald Hart made a motion, seconded by Mayor John Dickert, to adjourn the meeting at 4:58 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

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