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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wastewater Commission

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

5:30 PM

Wastewater Treatment Plant Conf. Rm.
2101 Wisconsin Ave., Racine, WI

The meeting was called to order by Commission President Taft at 5:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 6 - Natalia Taft, John Tate II, Anthony Bunkelman, Jens Jorgensen, Tony Beyer and Marlo Harmon

EXCUSED: 7 - Jim Sullivan, Nancy Washburn, Claude Lois, Nick Barootian, Rosalind Thomas, Jack Feiner and Cory Mason

[0631-26](#)

Subject: Approval of Minutes for the June 17, 2026, Wastewater Commission Meeting

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Bunkelman, seconded by Jorgensen, that this file be Approved. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

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Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jorgensen, requesting permission to apply for and accept the 2027 CVMIC Risk Reimbursement Program Grant. (Grant Control #00710)

Recommendation of the Wastewater Commission on 07-15-2026:
To Approve with a Referral to the Finance and Personnel Committee.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 07-27-2026: Approval to apply for and accept the 2027 CVMIC Risk Reimbursement Program Grant.

Fiscal Note: Up to \$10,000 for Water and Wastewater.(Grant Control #00710)

Utility staff presented the item requesting permission for the Utility to apply for a 2027 CVMIC Risk Reimbursement Program Grant. These funds are used to help offset safety related costs incurred by the Utility.

A motion was made by Tate II, seconded by Beyer, that this file be Approved with a Referral to the Finance & Personnel Committee. The motion passed

unanimously by a voice vote.

[0633-26](#)

Subject: Consideration of Wastewater Commission Directors Liability Insurance Policy Renewal

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: Insurance premium of \$17,155, and \$3,028 agreement fee.

Utility staff presented the policy renewal proposal provided by Atlantic Specialty Insurance Co., at a cost of \$17,155, plus an additional \$3,028 broker fee. This is an overall cost increase of \$138 from last year's policy fees. The policy would provide \$1,000,000 officer liability and \$1,000,000 employment practices liability insurance for the inter-municipal Commission governing body.

A motion was made by Bunkelman, seconded by Jorgensen, that this file be Approved. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

[0632-26](#)

Subject: Consideration of Professional Services Agreement with TY Lin for Photovoltaic Design

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: Time and material cost not to exceed \$59,664.

Utility staff presented the item, reminding the Commission that this topic had been previously brought before them in May when they had agreed and voted upon a Performance Contracting approach (design build). The proposed agreement with TY Lin will be billed on a time and material basis, to assist with the development of a Request for Quote (RFQ) for Photovoltaic Design in collaboration with the new Sustainability and Energy Coordinator position.

A motion was made by Jorgensen, seconded by Tate II, that this file be Approved. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business to address, the meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.