



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Wastewater Commission

*President Kathy DeMatthew, Vice President John Engel,
Secretary John Hewitt, Mayor John Dickert, Thomas Friedel,
Robert Lui, Alderman Ronald D. Hart, Thomas Bunker, Robert
Pucely, Chris Larsen, Tracy Richters, Joseph Mandala,
Howard Stacey, Chris Wright, Alderman James Morgenroth*

Tuesday, October 30, 2012

4:30 PM

City Hall Annex - Room 227

1. Roll Call

OTHERS PRESENT: K. Haas, M. Gitter, K. Scolaro, N. Sanders, R. Pace, A. Wheeler, N. Erlandson, M. Klimek

PRESENT: 10 - John Dickert, Thomas Friedel, John Engel, Thomas Bunker, Kathy DeMatthew, John Hewitt, Joseph Mandala, Ronald D. Hart, Chris Wright and James Morgenroth

EXCUSED: 4 - Chris Larsen, Tracy Richters, Howard Stacey and Robert Pucely

2. Approval of Minutes for the September 2012 Meeting

A motion was made by Secretary John Hewitt, seconded by Thomas Friedel, that this be to Approve the Minutes. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

3. [12-8259](#)

Subject: Budget Expenditures for September 2012 Totaling \$1,057,071.77

Recommendation: Approve

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

4. [12-8260](#)

Subject: Project Reports:

- A) Update on Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program
- B) Update on OpenCel
- C) WPDES Permit and DNR Inspection
- D) Update on Sludge Storage Facility
- E) WEFTEC 2012 Highlights
- F) Welcome New Commissioner - Alderman James Morgenroth

Recommendation: Approve

Project reports were given by staff.

Received and Filed

5. [12-8283](#)

Subject: Authorization of the General Manager to Enter Into a

Revised Memo of Understanding (MOU) with OpenCel for the Installation of their Technology

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager explained that the Utility, with Black & Veatch's assistance, drafted a revised Memo of Understanding (MOU) for the installation of the OpenCel technology due to parameter changes. The General Manager requested authorization to enter into this revised MOU agreement with OpenCel for procurement of the system.

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

6. [12-8118](#)

Subject: Submittal of the Pretreatment Rates for 2013

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager submitted the proposed pretreatment monitoring charges for 2013. The Lab Director explained that the rates are driven by the cost of supplies and labor, and that the Utility seeks only to recoup these costs from industrial dischargers.

A motion was made by Thomas Bunker, seconded by Secretary John Hewitt, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

7. [12-8275](#)

Subject: Request to Fill the Position of Plant Operator Due to a Retirement

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager requested authorization to fill the position of Plant Operator due to a retirement and any subsequent vacancies that may result.

A motion was made by John Dickert, seconded by Vice President John Engel, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

8. [12-8181](#)

Subject: Proposal from Strand Associates, Inc. for a Concrete Condition Assessment of the Wastewater Plant

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager stated that he received a proposal from Strand Associates, Inc. for concrete condition assessment at the Wastewater Plant. He noted that four to five areas need to be repaired, and after the assessment, the Utility will go out for bids for this construction project. The General Manager stated that this proposal is in the amount of \$42,900.00 for time and materials, and recommends approval.

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

9. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Vice President John Engel made a motion, seconded by Thomas Bunker, to adjourn the meeting at 5:26 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

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