



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wastewater Commission

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

4:30 PM

Virtual

Roll Call

PRESENT: 10 - Kathy DeMatthew, Terry McCarthy, Natalia Taft, Cory Mason, Daryl Lynaugh, Anthony Bunkelman, Robert Lui, Stacy Sheppard, Shannon Powell and John Tate II

EXCUSED: 4 - James Spangenberg, John Hewitt, Dan Moore and Robert Pucely

Approval of Minutes for the October 20, 2020 Meeting

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

[0780-20](#)

Subject: Budget Expenditures for October 2020 totaling \$1,213,359.91

Recommendation: Approve

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

[0727-20](#)

Subject: Project Reports:

- A) Budgets and rates approved by City Council
- B) Letters from SSR Parties
- C) Lift Station No. 2 Storage Tank Update
- D) West 6th Street Tunneling Update
- E) Vacancy Filling Update
- F) Covid Concerns Staffing
- G) Facility Plan Update
- H) CNH Property Update
- I) Update on Chicory Road Interceptor Study
- J) Update on Lift Station 2 Storage Optimization
- K) Update on Convention Center Hotel Sewer Reroute

Recommendation: Receive and File

Project reports were given by staff.

Received and Filed

[0748-20](#)

Subject: Presentation from Mount Pleasant with regard to the sewer system for TID#5

Recommendation: Receive and File

Presentation given by Claude Lois from Mt. Pleasant.

A motion was made by Sheppard, seconded by Tate II, that this file be Received and Filed

[0738-20](#)

Subject: Submittal of Pretreatment Rates for 2021

Recommendation: Approve

The Chief of Operations presented the rates for 2021 to be issued to industrial users for utility administrative, inspection, sampling and laboratory activities conducted under the industrial pretreatment program.

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

[0724-20](#)

Subject: Proposal from Ruckert-Mielke to Perform 2021 revenue sharing calculations

Recommendation: Approve

General Manager presented the proposal not to exceed \$12,000 and recommended for approval.

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

[0773-20](#)

Subject: Proposal from AECOM for preliminary design of deficiency capital items

Recommendation: Approve

Presentation on the scope of work was given by AECOM. The proposal on the preliminary items is not to exceed \$949,000. General Manager recommended for approval

A motion was made by Secretary McCarthy, seconded by Lui, that this file be Approved

[0774-20](#)

Subject: Proposal from Carollo Engineering for preliminary engineering on the UV Disinfection System

Recommendation: Defer

A motion was made by Lui, seconded by Secretary McCarthy, that this file be

Deferred

[0783-20](#)

Subject: Authorize the General Manager and Commission President to enter into the 7th Amendment for the Exclusivity Agreement with CNH

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager explained the need for time extension and mentioned that this amendment will be good until June 7th, 2021.

A motion was made by Lui, seconded by Secretary McCarthy, that this file be Approved

[0772-20](#)

Subject: Discussion of benefit changes for 2021 - Utility Employees

Recommendation: Approve

The General Manager presented the benefit proposition that was drafted along with the directive to coordinate with Human Resources. The proposition is to be Adopted with the following amendment in section C (retiree medical benefits pre-65):

Maintain current policy, as the utility has applied a more restrictive "rule of 80" (total age + experience) since 2011 while the city has continued with a "rule of 75" through 6/30/2021. No employee hired on or after January 1, 2021, shall be entitled to any post retirement benefits other than those provided through the Wisconsin Retirement System or otherwise as required by law.

No person hired on or after January 1, 2021, shall be entitled to remain on the City's health insurance program upon retirement.

A motion was made by Lynaugh, seconded by Mayor Mason, that this file be Adopted As Amended:

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.