



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF A WATER AND SEWER BOARD MEETING:

Regular / Special Meeting: Water and Sewer Board

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 7:00pm

Location: City Hall, 2000 N. Calhoun Road, Council Chambers

Members Present: Alderman Chris Blackburn-Chairman, Alderman Scott Berg, Alderman Bill Carnell (via telephone), Alderman Jerry Mellone, and Alderman Jeff McCarthy

Members Excused: none

Others Present: Director of Public Works Tom Grisa, City Engineer Jeffrey Chase, Alderman Rick Owen, Alderman Brad Blumer (via telephone), Alderman Buck Jurken (via telephone)

1. Roll Call

Alderman Chris Blackburn noted a quorum present and called the Water and Sewer Board to order at 7:00pm.

2. Announcements

The Next Regularly Scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 12th, 2020 at 7:00pm.

3. Minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting

Motion by Alderman Jeff McCarthy, second by Alderman Scott Berg to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2020 Water and Sewer Board meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Unfinished Business

a) None

5. New Business

a) Award of the FRWPCC Primary Clarifier Rehabilitation Project #WW-20-02

Alderman Berg asked, given the economy at this time, if the City should consider rejecting the bids and rebidding the project to get better pricing in the future. He compared the decision of awarding this work to the contractor with the decision by the City to question a change order with the contractor for the Brookfield Conference Center. Discussion ensued about the advantages and disadvantages of accepting or rejecting the bids. Mr. Grisa responded that the lowest bid was received from the contractor currently on site performing other work, and this clearly allowed them to submit such a low bid. The engineering consultant for this project also recommends award of the work, since the low bid is significantly below the engineer's estimate. Rejecting bids to try to get lower pricing in the future is also not a good tactic as contractors resent spending time on bids when they are not awarded and may choose not to bid in the future. The more bidders the City gets, typically the better the low bid through competition. Staff recommends awarding this work to the low bidder.

Motion by Alderman Bill Carnell, second by Alderman Jeff McCarthy to approve the award of the FRWPCC Primary Clarifier Rehabilitation Project #WW-20-02. Motion carried 5-0.

b) Award of the 2020 Replace Failing Water Main Project #W-20-02

Mr. Grisa mentioned that this work also includes replacement of the failing water main on Elm Grove Road in this area. This main failed recently which affected a nearby home.

Motion by Alderman Scott Berg, second by Alderman Jeff McCarthy to approve Award of the FRWPCC Primary Clarifier Rehabilitation Project #WW-20-02. Motion carried 5-0.

c) Perpetual Water Main Easement, North Shore Bank, 15830 W. Capitol Drive

Motion by Alderman Scott Berg, second by Alderman Jeff McCarthy to approve the Perpetual Water Main Easement, North Shore Bank, 15830 W. Capitol Drive. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Adjournment

Motion by Alderman Jeff McCarthy second by Alderman Jerry Mellone to adjourn the meeting at 7:22pm. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted:
Tom Grisa
Director of Public Works