

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, June 21st, 2023

4:00 PM

Water and Sewer Commission President Martens called the Regular Meeting of the City of Platteville Water and Sewer Commission to order on Wednesday, June 21st at 4:00 pm (rescheduled from Wednesday 14th).

W/S Commission members present: Ken Kilian, Cindy Martens, Jim Schneller, Brian Laufenberg, Barb Daus, Chris Wilson (4:20)

W/S Commission members excused/absent:

City Staff present: Public Works Director - Howard Crofoot, Utility Superintendent – Ryan Kowalski, Comptroller – Sheila Horner

City Staff excused: City Manager – Clint Langreck, Administration Director – Nicola Maurer

Public present:

Citizens' Comments –

The Consent Agenda was presented for consideration. **Motion by Kilian, second by Laufenberg to approve the Consent Agenda:** May 10, 2023 Regular Minutes, May 24, 2023 Special Minutes, May 2023 Financial Reports, May Bank Reconciliation & Investments Reports, Payment of Bills (5/4/2023-6/7/2023), May Water Quality Report. **Motion carried.**

ACTION ITEMS:

Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) – Crofoot presented the CMAR for 2022 noting that we received all "A"s.

Motion by Daus, second by Schneller to recommend approval of Resolution 23-xx accepting the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) for 2022 and authorizing staff to submit the report.

HS Water Main Loop and Upsizing – Crofoot presented the proposed budget amendment to install the additional pipe, replacement hydrant and upsizing the line by Owen's Excavating at the cost proposal of \$62,916.04. Currently there are two private water mains. The original line is on the west side of the building. There is a hydrant that needs repair or replacement. This is where the building gets its water service. About 15 years ago, the School District installed a second private water main on the west side of the building and brought it around the north side of the building. There are hydrants for fire protection on that line. This west/north line is the one being extended to serve the new concession area. It will be only a couple hundred feet from connecting to the line on the west side of the building. Staff recommended upgrading the proposed 6" line to 8" , extend the line to connect to the 8" line on the west side to create a loop. Also replace the one hydrant that needs repair/replacement. Advantages for the City: Water quality in the new concession stand will be better if looped. There will be better flows for fire protection if looped. Advantages for the School District: Once looped, the water main ownership transfers to the city. It will allow service to the building from either direction in case of a main break. It will reduce water quality issues. Based on the relative advantages for both sides, the Water and Sewer Commission believes the advantages for the School District outweigh the advantages for the City and if the School District wants to loop the line, they can cost-share the above cost. Crofoot will be sending a follow-up letter to the school district stating the concerns posed by the Commission if they choose to not complete the loop on their own.

Motion by Schneller, second by Laufenberg to reject a Budget Amendment to install the additional pipe, replacement hydrant and upsizing the line by Owen's Excavating at the cost proposal of \$62,916.04.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

Sensus Meter Radios - Crofoot & Kowalski informed the members of the Commission that the batteries for the Sensus Meter Radios are starting to fail. So far it has only been a few each year, however we are approaching the life expectancy of the batteries. There will likely be a need for a budget increase for this item over the next few years.

Motion made by Daus, second by Schneller to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sheila Horner
Comptroller