

JOINT POWERS WATER BOARD MINUTES
Regular Meeting of
January 28th, 2008
6:00 PM JPWT Plant Board Room

6:00 PM **Call to Order** by Chairperson Ron Klecker

Board Members Present: Joyce Paullin, Jerry Zachman, Joe Marx, Gerhardt Kottke, and John Vetsch

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Chris Larson, H.R. Green, Kelly Daleiden, Shelly Keyes and Julie Vandelanotte, Veolia Water NA

Staff Absent: None

Chris Larson of HR Green requested the addition of Item #4, Well 2 repairs, under Engineering. MOTION BY MARX, SECOND BY ZACHMAN TO ADOPT THE AMENDED AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY ZACHMAN, SECOND BY PAULLIN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 20th 2007, REGULAR MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY PAULLIN, SECOND BY KOTTKE, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There was no **Unfinished Business**.

In **New Business**, Board Members appointed 2008 Board positions. MOTION BY ZACHMAN, SECOND BY PAULLIN TO APPOINT JERRY ZACHMAN AS CHAIRPERSON, RON KLECKER AS VICE CHAIRPERSON AND JOYCE PAULLIN AS TREASURER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Board Members also appointed the Joint Powers official newspaper, auditors and depositories. Vetsch inquired when the banking services would be reviewed again and Keyes explained banking rates would be reviewed at year end. Keyes added that the last review was March 2007 at which time there was very little difference in rates between the local banks. The savings would need to be significant to offset costs to switch service. MOTION BY KLECKER, SECOND BY VETSCH TO APPOINT THE CROW RIVER NEWS AS OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER, ABDO, EICK & MEYERS AS OFFICIAL AUDITORS AND LASALLE, GREAT NORTHERN AND PMA AS OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Under **Engineering**, Larson discussed the ASR Financial Responsibility form. The form is required by the U.S. EPA, must be filed annually and provides proof that Joint Powers has the financial resources to abandon the Aquifer Storage and Recovery wells at the 15th Street location if it became necessary. As one of three options, Joint Powers' financial records must show more than \$10 million in tangible net worth and provide the current bond rating. The financial information was provided by Abdo, Eick & Meyers and Northland Securities. No action required by the Board other than the Chairperson's signature.

Also under **Engineering**, Larson discussed Change Order 2 for Well 9. The changes deal primarily with the ASR process and the upsizing of the Well 9 motor from 125 to 150 hp. The motor size was changed since 125 hp motors have a poor track record when used in conjunction with variable frequency drives (VFD). The upsized motor requires upsized wiring as well. Copper water lines and pressure tanks for the test wells have also been added, as well as a pressurized pitless adapter to withstand any ASR well surges. The changes were made in accordance with the ASR variance

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issued by the Minnesota Department of Health and associated with Well 9 Change Order 1 approved at the August meeting. A maintenance bond was also added to provide an additional year of warranty on Well 9.

Zachman asked if the wire and pump would require trenching and Larson explained digging was complete so the upsized equipment could just be installed. Daleiden added she felt the upsize was worth the cost since the failure rate and repair turnaround time for 125 hp motors was very high and would create response problems if the well went down. Vetsch questioned why the 125 hp motor was included in the well specifications at all and Larson explained the problem with the Hitachi motor when used with a VFD was discovered after the bids were already accepted on the project. MOTION BY KLECKER, SECOND BY PAULLIN TO APPROVE WELL 9 CHANGE ORDER 2 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Larson presented Pay Estimate #7 & #8 for a total of \$113,229.08 to Traut Wells for Well 9 and recommended payment. MOTION BY PAULLIN, SECOND BY KLECKER TO APPROVE PAY ESTIMATE #7 & #8 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Additional **Engineering** involved discussion of Well 2 repairs. Larson explained the Well 2 pump was recently pulled and a number of small repairs made; however, Well 2 has shown decreased productivity over the past several years and extensive repairs are needed. Larson presented a quote for \$26,996.20 from Traut Wells for the new pump, motor, drop pipe and other minor items to restore Well 2. Larson noted that additional quotes for the project are expected but requested the Board authorize up to \$26,996.20 for Well 2 so repairs may begin immediately. MOTION BY VETSCH, SECOND BY PAULLIN TO APPROVE WELL 2 REPAIRS UP TO \$26,996.20. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Under **Operations/Office**, there was nothing to report.

MOTION BY PAULLIN, SECOND BY KLECKER, TO APPROVE THE LIST OF CLAIMS AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY PAULLIN, SECOND BY MARX, TO ADJOURN AT 6:29 PM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Recording Secretary