



Minutes of March 12, 2013

A meeting of the Wausau Water Works Commission was called to order at 1:30 p.m. in City Hall on March 12, 2013. In compliance with Wisconsin Statutes, this meeting was posted and receipted for by the Wausau Daily Herald on March 8, 2013

1) **Roll Call**

Members present: President Tipple, Commissioners Million, Otto, Rebman, and Utilities Director Marquardt. Excused: Winters

Others present: Dick Boers, Dave Erickson, Don Swailes, AECOM; Ken Ligman, Becher Hoppe Associates.

2) **Approve Minutes of February 5, 2013**

Noted correction to the minutes that Mr. Otto made the motion to go into closed session, not Mr. Rebman.

Letter was also submitted by Mr. Winters regarding going into closed session. Mr. Otto also questioned why the commission went into closed session. Director Marquardt indicated that the City Attorney was consulted before the closed session was placed on the agenda.

Motion by Mr. Rebman to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2013 meeting with the corrections as noted. Seconded by Mr. Million. Motion carried unanimously.

3) **Director's Report on Utility Operations.**

- Staff rehabbing filters at water plant with assistance of staff from distribution crew.
- Number of main breaks, including a bad break on Grand Avenue.
- Employees busy in February clearing snow.
- Cross Connection info is getting ready to go out.
- PSC Annual Rept due April 1.
- WMZK has not responded to letter regarding their antenna rental.
- ACE conference is in June, need to know who is attending to get the best rates.
- BOD results are close to our monthly limits.
- Black Gold/Metro Green meeting is being held on March 26 at Great Dane.
- Gas treatment skid continuing to cause problems with removing hydrogen sulfide from digester gas.
- Had problems with UV system last summer. Feel it is due to the leachate from the county landfill.
- Able completed rehab of influent pumps and VanErt is redoing some of the controls for the new variable drive
- Nate Raduechel has been hired on sewer collection crew
- Sewer lining project has been bid out.
- Becher Hoppe and City of Wausau received an engineering award for the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades.

Motion by Mr. Million to accept the Director's Report as presented and place on file. Seconded by Mr. Otto. Motion carried unanimously.

4) **Review Becher Hoppe Report on Disinfection Practices for Microbial Protection Evaluation**

Presentation was given by Ken Ligman on the options for the water treatment plant to meet DNR requirements regarding disinfection.

Motion by Mr. Rebman to authorize Becher Hoppe to submit recommendations to the DNR for their approval. Seconded by Mr. Million. Motion carried unanimously.

5) **Approve Cleaning Wells 3 and 9**

Staff has received proposals from Water Well Solutions for cleaning 2 wells with a different kind of technology. Water Well Solutions would like to do a test procedure which has been done on East Coast, but not in Wisconsin. Water Well Solutions will be doing a white paper on the procedure and therefore is offering a significant savings if they can do both wells at the same time. Each well has different characteristics, so the chemical used would be different for each well. One well has iron bacteria, whereas the other well has only iron.

Motion by Mr. Rebman to accept the proposal from Water Well solutions to clean Wells 3 and 9. Seconded by Mr. Otto. Motion carried unanimously.

6) **Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Otto to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Rebman. Motion carried unanimously.

/s/ Keene Winters

Secretary