

June 26, 2014

The Common Council met as the Water Utility Board at 7:00 pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Board members Jeffries and Hoehn were not present. Others attending were Attorney Higgins; Supt. Gray; Chief Beloit; Chief Dixon; Comm. Dieterle; Supt. Givens; Andy Sucharitakul – Lochmueller Group; Tom Hogan – Johnson Controls, Inc.; James Cox; Pam Robinson – Mount Vernon Democrat; and Lois Gray – Posey County News.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains motion to waive their reading to approve the minutes as presented.

Board member Curtis moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Higgins moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the report of the Water Chairman.

**Chairman Curtis** stated he has no report.

Supt. Gray stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Board // Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman relied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any Legals for consideration ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

Board member Curtis stated they have been discussing upgrades to the water treatment plant, for various reasons, one of them being storage capacity. He added this will be a Phase VI, done in conjunction with Johnson Controls and The Lochmueller Group. They have information on the project to the Council, the scope of work, their options, etc. He then stated he would like to move forward

with an agreement with Johnson Controls, in conjunction with The Lochmueller Group, for the engineering work to upgrade the plant (filters, pre treatment, lamellas, storage, etc.) on site, as well as other locations, for additional storage and a new UV system – a disinfection system which uses less chlorine. The electric service will also be upgraded and a new generator will be put in place. Board member Curtis continued by stating the fee is \$700,000, no small amount of money, but it is money in Supt. Gray's budget and it is available, and he would actually have a sizeable sum left. Supt. Gray stated the last project they did, they had to scale back, which cut out the storage capabilities. He then stated because of the addition of new filters, this will cause them to add pre treatment. IDEM is also pushing the UV as it de-activates almost most everything. He stated in the past, they have not been able to comply, and in fact, had been under an agreed order for two years because of their disinfectant by-products.

Board member Curtis asked if there were any questions for Supt. Gray or Johnson Controls ?  
There were none.

Board member Curtis the moved the Board enter into an engineering agreement with Johnson Controls, with the stipulation that if they move forward with the project, the fee will be built into the overall program, and pending legal review. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

Attorney Higgins reiterated The Lochmueller Group's fee is built in as well.

Mr. Sucharitakul replied that is correct.

Attorney Higgins explained that Johnson Controls will retain The Lochmueller Group.

Board member Curtis stated they would have to do a rate study normally, and it will be in the agreement that if the city can not get financing, the fee is waived.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Board voting as follows:

Jeffries – absent; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – absent;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Attorney Higgins stated in reference to rate study, she has contacted Umbaugh about a letter of engagement. Johnson Controls will provide an engineering estimate, then Umbaugh will report back. Board consented.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Curtis moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

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John Tucker  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cristi L. Sitzman  
Clerk-Treasurer