

CITY OF FRANKLIN
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
September 17, 2019
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND
ROLL CALL:

The regular meeting of the Franklin Board of Water Commissioners was held on September 17, 2019 and called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman Grobner in the Inspection Conference Room, Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

On roll call, the following were in attendance: Commissioners Grobner, Graef, Takerian, Peterson and Schubilske. Also present were Manager Morrow, Assistant Manager Arnold, Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg, Superintendent Roberts, and City Attorney Wesolowski.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD AND
CORRESPONDENCE:

None

MINUTES APPROVED:

Commissioner Graef moved to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2019 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Takerian. All voted Aye; motion carried.

VOUCHER LIST:

Commissioner Schubilske moved to approve the Vouchers for September, 2019, in the amount of \$402,932.86. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

REPORT ON WATER SYSTEM
PERFORMANCE:

Superintendent Roberts advised utility is doing well. The hydrant project is finished and they are now working on meter change outs. Drexel water tower was struck by lightning. The utility's main communication antenna for SCADA was struck, so it had to be rewired as well as the air conditioning unit inside the tower. All around the towers defense system worked properly to protect the major electrical systems inside the tower.

DISTRIBUTION & COLLECTION/
ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS
UPDATE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
WHOLESALE PUBLIC WATER
SUPPLY TO FRANKLIN 2024:

Commissioner Schubilske moved to enter closed session at 5:19 p.m. pursuant to Wis. Stat § 19.85(1)(e)) to deliberate upon information, terms and provisions of the potential provision of public water supply to the City of Franklin as related to the City, the Franklin Municipal Water Utility and its customers in 2024 and beyond; and the potential negotiation of terms in relation thereto, including, but not limited to potential amendments to the Agreement for Oak Creek to Provide Water at Wholesale to Franklin, potential agreement terms with alternate public water supply sources, including, but not limited to the City of Milwaukee and Milwaukee Water Works, and the investing of public funds and governmental actions in relation thereto, for competitive and bargaining reasons, and to reenter open session at the same place thereafter to act on such matters discussed therein as it deems appropriate. Seconded by Commissioner Takerian. On roll call, all voted Aye; motion carried.

Commissioner Takerian moved to reconvene in open session at 5:58 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Graef. On roll call, all voted Aye. Motion carried.

**KAEMPFER & ASSOCIATES
WATER TOWER STUDY UPDATE:**

Manager Morrow advised communication is continuing with the land owners. He would like to get the wet land delineations and boring done before the end of the year. It still needs to be discussed with city officials about possibly sharing the four parcels.

**2024 POTENTIAL PUBLIC WATER
SUPPLY AND SUPPLE SOURCES
FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION AND
COMMUNICATION THEREOF
PROJECT UPDATE FROM
COMMUNICATIONS
CONSULTANT**

Nothing new to report

NEW BUSINESS

**PRELIMINARY WATER UTILITY
BILLING UPGRADE**

Director of Finance & Treasurer Rotzenberg presented the preliminary water utility billing upgrade project.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT TO
APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL
\$15,000 OF APPROPRIATIONS TO
PURCHASE UTILITY BILLING
SOFTWARE**

Commissioner Graef moved to approve the budget amendment to approve an additional \$15,000 of appropriations to purchase utility billing software. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Takerian moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.