

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 21, 2024
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER AND
ROLL CALL:

The regular meeting of the Franklin Board of Water Commissioners was held on February 21, 2024, and called to order at 5:16 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, Peterson and Duchniak. Also, present were Manager Morrow, Assistant Manager Beinlich, Superintendent Roberts, Director of Administration Hersh and Director of Finance, Treasurer Brown and City Attorney Wesolowski, Mayor Nelson and Fire Chief Mayer. Excused were Commissioners Schubilske and Takerian.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD AND
CORRESPONDENCE:

None

MINUTES APPROVED:

Commissioner Duchniak moved to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2024, regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

VOUCHER LIST:

Commissioner Peterson moved to approve the Vouchers for February, 2024, in the amount of \$755,549.62. Seconded by Commissioner Duchniak. All voted Aye; motion carried.

REPORT ON WATER SYSTEM
PERFORMANCE:

Superintendent Roberts informed Board of the personnel changes and that the Utility is now at full staff. A fire hydrant was hit on 27th Street and an invoice to the insurance company has been submitted for reimbursement. A 12" water main break occurred on 1/21/24 at 9460 S. 60th Street. Break was repaired and back in service for Monday morning work start. Multiple water valve boxes have been repaired due to early frost exiting the roads. Members of Sewer/Water Utility attended Midwest Water & Sewer Expo in the Wisconsin Dells. Informational learning and educational credits were attained. Construction on the water main project to connect the northern feed of water to the property where the new tower is to be located on Lovers Lane Road on 2/19/24.

DISTRIBUTION & COLLECTION/
ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS
UPDATE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WHOLESALE PUBLIC WATER
SUPPLY TO FRANKLIN 2024:

Commissioner Peterson moved to enter closed session at 5:42 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, a financial analysis study of long-term water supply, 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 Duchniak. All voted Aye; motion carried.

Commissioner Peterson moved to reconvene in open session at 5:56 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Duchniak. All voted Aye; motion carried.

Commissioner Duchniak moved to direct staff to proceed as discussed in closed session. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

CITY OF FRANKLIN WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN CONTRACT A AND CITY OF FRANKLIN ELEVATED STORAGE TANK CONTRACT B PROJECTS CONTRACTS FOR THE WATERMAIN PROJECT ON SOUTH LOVERS LANE ROAD FROM WEST ST. MARTINS ROAD TO 7911 SOUTH 100TH STREET AND THE WATER STORAGE TOWER IN THE VICINITY OF 8120 SOUTH LOVERS LANE ROAD PROJECT, INCLUDING THE PROCESS THEREFORE:

Manager Morrow informed Board that project is now under construction.

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY TO THE VILLAGE OF RAYMOND:

No update, did not go into closed session.

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION OF WATER SERVICES AND HYDRANTS ON PRIVATE LANDS IN THE CITY OF FRANKLIN:

Manager Morrow referenced document that was included in packet and asked for recommendations. New Fire Chief Mayer introduced himself to Board. He's requesting that the City continue to maintain all fire hydrants.

Commissioner Duchniak moved to recommend options A(b), B(b) and C(b) with clarification to C(b) that property owners are responsible for restoration. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Duchniak moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.