

CITY OF FRANKLIN
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
JULY 18, 2023
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND
ROLL CALL:

The regular meeting of the Franklin Board of Water Commissioners was held on July 18, 2023, and called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman Grobner in the Hearing Room, Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

On roll call, the following were in attendance: Commissioners Grobner, Peterson, Schubilske and Takerian. Also, present were Manager Morrow, Assistant Manager Beinlich, Superintendent Roberts, City Attorney Wesolowski, Director of Administration Hersh and Director of Finance and Treasurer Brown. Commissioner Duchniak arrived 5:19 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD AND
CORRESPONDENCE:

None

MINUTES APPROVED:

Commissioner Takerian moved to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2023, regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE &
TREASURER, DANIELLE BROWN:

Manager Morrow introduced new Director of Finance & Treasurer Danielle Brown and asked her to attend monthly meetings and provide financial reports.

VOUCHER LIST:

Commissioner Takerian moved to approve the Vouchers for July, 2023, in the amount of \$76,070.79. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.

REPORT ON WATER SYSTEM
PERFORMANCE:

Superintendent Roberts advised Board of a fire hydrant hit by an uninsured motorist. Driver was located and arrested. Utility sent invoice to driver for cost of damages. Utility took possession of new F-350 pickup truck, old pickup will go to auction. A 16" watermain offset was reconstructed on W. Forest Home Avenue due to repaving of road. Cost of project was \$44,029.31 and will be split 50/50 with West Shore Pipeline Co. A 1" service was abandoned in Woelfel Road and a valve box in 92nd Street repaired as part of the City Road Project. Bob Davis is retiring effective August 1st after 33 years of service and Nick Castagna is going to the Franklin Police Department after 1 year of service. Meter Change Out Program is steady and moving forward.

DISTRIBUTION & COLLECTION/
ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS
UPDATE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WHOLESALE PUBLIC WATER
SUPPLY TO FRANKLIN 2024:

Commissioner Schubilske moved to enter closed session at 5:25 pm 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, Commissioners Grobner, Peterson, Schubilske, Takerian and Duchniak voted Aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schubilske moved to reconvene in open session at 6:13 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Takerian . On roll call, Commissioners Grobner, Peterson, Schubilske, Takerian and Duchniak 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 indicated we just received signatures for the contract with Ruekert & Mielke to help City with project.

Will Hein indicated we need to establish a bid date, needs to be in December, 2023 or will need an extension from the Public Service Commission.

Commissioner Schubilske moved to seek an extension from the Public Service Commission for one year and to continue moving forward with bidding out this year. Seconded by Commissioner Duchniak. All voted Aye; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

BAXTER & WOODMAN CONTRACT TO ASSIST WITH OAK CREEK UNDERGROUND FACILITIES PROJECT:

Commissioner Schubilske moved to enter into agreement as proposed not to exceed \$15,000. Seconded by Commissioner Duchniak. Four voted Aye and one voted No; motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Takerian moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Peterson. All voted Aye; motion carried.