

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KIMBERLY WATER COMMISSION

FEBRUARY 24, 2009

Acting Chairman Strick called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Members present for roll call were Commissioner Johnson, Stienen, and Strick. Absent was Chairman Price. Also present were Supt. Klein and Engineer Gary Rosenbeck of McMahan.

Commissioner Johnson moved, Stienen seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2009 Meeting as prepared. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Supt. Klein reported that the softstart at Lincoln Street is replaced and working well. The repair project was completed for \$5,800, as quoted.

The commission discussed the progress made regarding water quality issues in the community. Engineer Rosenbeck noted accomplishments to date and how seriously this commission accepts the challenge for their customers. Many communities have similar issues; however they do not place the importance and energy into finding possible solutions. The Kimberly Municipal Water Utility has been much more aggressive than most utilities would be for a nuisance issue like iron. Regarding remedies, he believes that all possible solutions have been explored, with the exception of some more radical options like pipe pigging. Some of these potential fixes could cause many more problems than now exist. The water system now seems to have reached equilibrium chemistry wise, and disrupting that chemistry can cause many other problems and compound the existing issue severely. He recommended continuing the flow sites, monitoring the iron levels and chlorine residuals, and understand that water quality in Kimberly is excellent outside of these small pockets.

Administrator Hermus noted that the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) has been set by the Kimberly Village Board at 2.25%. This is above the CPI-U, which is normally used to set the COLA. However, future years will be used to balance the adjustments when the economy picks up.

Commissioner Stienen moved, Johnson seconded the motion to approve the bills and claims for the month of February as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Commissioner Johnson moved, Stienen seconded the motion to approve the financial statements for the month of February as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Supt. Klein noted that the bid opening for the water main project will be March 4th. Although the water main is separate from the sanitary sewer, we are still bidding all utility projects on the same day. Also, we are changing the completion date to June 26, 2009 to insure the project is complete prior to the July 4th Holiday fireworks, and Paperfest.

Commissioner Johnson moved, Stienen seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Rick J. Hermus
Secretary