Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, May 27, 2021
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601
PRESENT: Commissioners: Kurt Knutson, Steve Lundsten, Tim Ehler; Staff: Christina Peterson, Terry Wright. ATTENDANCE LIST: n/a

1. Call to Order at 4:34 p.m. by Chairperson Kurt Knutson.
2. Review and Approve Minutes from 5/13/2021. Motion by Knutson to approve minutes, second by Lundsten. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Review and Approve Bills Payable. Motion by Lundsten to approve $11,806.24 in open invoices and $128.42 paid, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Arbor Hills Well Project – Olympic Pay Estimate #12. Submitted by contractor, but still needs review by SEH. Motion by Lundsten to approve Pay Estimate #12 in the amount of $124,482.52 contingent on SEH review, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Sewer Lining. Wright reported the contractor started the lining work. He said there was 250 ft length in Ebner Coulee with roots which were coming from the laterals. He put the lining in this section on hold with a suggestion that property owners should line their laterals to solve the I&I problem in this area. The main line is ok. Wright will talk with property owners regarding repair to laterals. Wright will start Phase 2 with the open-cut repair of the 349 ft in Pammel Creek Park and will also line the lateral connections along Coulee Springs Ln, a few feet back from main. This will be covered by the Sanitary District only because the problem resulted from a deterioration of the connections into the main, potential material or workmanship issue from past project.
7. Arbor Hills Well Project update. Wright gave an update on the project and stated the start up should occur soon and then they will undergo a 30-day test report.
8. Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR). Wright shared the sewer system related report to be submitted to the DNR. Motion by Lundsten to approve CMAR report, second by Ehler. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Public Works Report. Batteries in flow meters have been replaced. Three meters are in place, and the fourth meter has not been ordered yet. Home inspections are going well. The follow up letters for remaining properties will be sent out after legal is consulted. The meter reader for approximately $16,000 has been ordered. Rural Mutual Insurance is requiring that the chemicals in wellhouses are separated. Valley Wellhouse #1 is big enough to add a divider. Other Valley wellhouse and Skyline wellhouse would need an additional room. Wright gave options including a fiberglass closet for $8500 each. Another option was to have a contractor or staff build the rooms with wood framing for approximately $1500 each. If fluoride was not used in the system, the separate rooms would not be necessary. Peterson noted she would look into the current trend for fluoride treatment.
10. **Administrator Report.** Peterson is waiting on information from the County on the private well quality study that was done several years ago. She also still plans to draft a letter to Boma Road residents for a public meeting to discuss potential water extension. More information on the Wellhead Protection Plan came from the Rural Water including a requirement for an Ordinance.

11. **Chairperson/Commissioner Report(s).** Knutson requested an ordinance pertaining to I&I inspections. Information to users should be educational

12. Motion by Knutson to adjourn at 5:29p.m., second by Ehler. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christina Peterson