

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

The Board of Water Commissioners met in open session on Tuesday, January 8, 2019. The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. in the Westfield Municipal Building, Council Chambers.

Those in attendance were: Water Commissioners Ron Cole (Chairman); Matthew Barnes (Secretary); Joseph Popielarczyk (Member); Public Works Director David Billips; Assistant Director Francis Cain; Water Systems Engineer Heather Stayton; Budget Analyst Joanna Williams; Recording Secretary Hannah Larkham

The meeting was being recorded by Office Manager Hannah Larkham and Matt Emershy of 36 Fowler St.

Before the meeting began, Commissioner Cole wanted to announce that this will be Commissioner Barnes last meeting. He has accepted a position within the City as City Treasurer/Collector. He has been a great member of the Water Commission for ten years and Cole cannot thank Barnes enough for all he has done here. Councilor Harris was present at the meeting and conquered Commissioners Cole's thoughts and gratitude.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Water Abatement Application: 351 West Rd**

Office Manager Hannah Larkham presented to the Board the application for Water Abatement for 351 West Rd. William Amanti is looking to get his combined utility bill 564719 abated due to a frozen pipe that burst in the garden. Unfortunately he was in Florida during the incident and a neighbor noticed the leak. The pipe has since been fixed which can be noticed by the subsequent consumption.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes to approved abatement for 351 West Rd 564719 for the new total of \$62.75. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Popielarczyk. Motion approved.

**Change Order 3: Owen District Road Water Treatment Plant**

This request for change order 3 is to furnish and install four manually operated valves. This will allow us to isolate the GAC vessels in the event that the manifold requires maintenance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes to approve Change Order 3 for Owen District Road Water Treatment Plant awarded to R.H. White in the amount of \$4,103.06. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Popielarczyk. Motion approved.

**Change Order: Plantation Circle Pumping Station and Force Main project**

This request for change order 1 is to cover cost of several circumstances which were encountered during the project that were unforeseen. The gas main was not in the location identified, a drain pipe in the trench was in need of repair and a ledge was encountered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Barnes to approve Change Order 1 for the Plantation Circle Sanitary Sewer Pump Station and Force Main Project awarded to Crestview Construction in the amount of \$52,854.74. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Popielarczyk. Motion approved.

**Overtime Reports:** no concerns

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**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion made by Commissioner Barnes** to approve the minutes as written for December 4, 2018 meeting of the Board of Water Commission. Motion seconded by Commissioner Popielarczyk. Motion approved.

**Project Updates**

The treatment plant for wells 7 & 8 are ahead of schedule due to the mild winter. The Department is hopeful they will be up and running by early summer.

The design phase of wells 1 & 2 are at 30% for the Treatment Plant. The temporary treatment at wells 1 & 2 are running and the Department received another set of test results which came back good. There were rumors that there may have been some breakthrough but according to the results there has been no breakthrough. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires testing to be done on a quarterly basis, but the Department has been testing about every 2-3 weeks.

The reservoir is currently full and expected to be over the flashboards.

The meter project is ongoing with about 500-600 meters installed. The project is moving slower than the Department expected but is hopeful it will hit a strong stride soon. The contractor currently has two teams going out to the scheduled appointments.

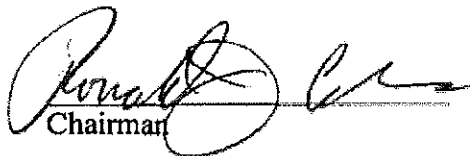
East Mountain Rd Tank is at 90% design phase. The timing of this project will depend on when Wells 7 & 8 will be finished.

SCADA upgrades for a number of different locations are being done on a weekly basis.

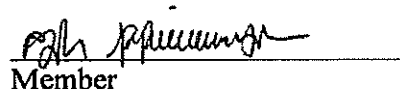
The next meeting of the Board of Water Commission meeting will be on Tuesday, February 12, 2019

**Adjourn**

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes to adjourn; Motion seconded by Commissioner Popielarczyk, Motion approved. ADJOURN: 6:34 P.M.

  
Chairman

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Secretary

  
Member