

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE  
OF THE DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION  
HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2013  
600 EAST BUTTERFIELD ROAD  
ELMHURST, ILLINOIS**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Committee members in attendance: D. Loftus, R. Furstenau, F. Saverino, M. Scheck and J. Zay (*ex officio*)

Committee members absent: None

Also in attendance: C. Bostick, E. Kazmierczak, T. McGhee, J. Schori, J. Spatz and M. Weed.

Commissioner Furstenau moved to approve the Minutes of the March 14, 2013 Engineering & Construction Committee Meeting of the DuPage Water Commission.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Scheck and passed as follows:

Ayes: R. Furstenau, F. Saverino, M. Scheck and D. Loftus

Nays: None

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick provided an oral report highlighting the Status of Operations report;

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised that the Commission hosted an Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) meeting with DWC customers regarding their proposed revision of Lake Michigan Water allocation rules and procedures. General Manager Spatz advised that IDNR is proposing revised methodology for determination and reporting of un-accounted for water uses in the IDNR required annual water audits. It was reported that several attendees voiced concerns to IDNR regarding the proposed revisions.

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised that the contractor (Airy's Inc.) has completed all work for the DuPage County Steeple Run Service Area connection point, Contract MS-19/12. Final payment has been tendered and this project will no longer appear on the Status of Operations report.

Regarding the York Township Water Facility, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee that a side letter agreement has been received and accepted and the actual agreement for interim water deliveries from Oak Brook to DuPage County, authorized by O-11-12 can now be executed by all parties. Meanwhile DuPage County continues to work on permanent easements for the permanent connection facilities.

Regarding the Customer meter calibration program, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick informed the commissioners that the FY-2012/2013 program is complete. General Manager Spatz advised the Committee that staff is working on procuring ample supplies of spare parts for discontinued models of meters and in the longer term looking at scheduling the replacement of all metering assemblies which are approaching the limits of their useful life.

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised that April's flooding caused some minor damage to only 6 of the Commission's 128 remote facilities. This includes water entering and damaging the contents of an electrical panel at Tank Site 4E which will require contractual effort to repair. Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised that a Quick Response Electric (QRE-6/12) work authorization order has been developed to facilitate the repairs at an estimated cost of \$5,900.00. After advising the Committee that the final costs and approval would be ratified at a future meeting, Chairman Loftus polled the Committee for any questions or concerns regarding staff's plan. Hearing none, the Committee concurred with the plan of action.

Regarding the IT Infrastructure Upgrade Project, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised that the hardware is installed, and most software has been loaded and the systems are operational. General Manager Spatz informed the Committee that additional "cloud" storage is being assessed as additional back-up to the locally based systems.

Facilities Construction Supervisor advised that restoration work for pipeline repairs on 75<sup>th</sup> Street and IL-53 should be performed in the next few weeks.

Regarding Contract QR-10/13, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the committee that the bid opening is Monday May 20<sup>th</sup> and currently six (6) contractors are reviewing the bid documents. Commissioner Furstenau inquired as to the necessity of legal review of the bid documents, and costs associated with same, since this type of contract has been let several times previously. Chairman Loftus requested that the discussions regarding legal costs be deferred until the full Commission meeting later in the evening.

Regarding Contract VSR-1/11, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee the valve stem replacement project was complete, completed on schedule and by DWC Pipeline Department personnel. Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick also advised that the work was completed without incident and over 400 permit-required confined space entries were performed to complete the work.

Regarding Contract TS-8/12, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick informed the committee that the Contractor, John Neri Construction Company Inc., is preparing their final system testing and commissioning report. Once this report has been received, and project site restorations has been approved by IDOT and The County of DuPage Department of Transportation, the work will be completed and a resolution recommending approval of a final balancing change order and final acceptance will be presented to the board.

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Regarding Contract TOB-7/12, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick informed the committee that the Contractor, John Neri Construction Co Inc., is working at all 27 project sites, and is on schedule to meet their September 3, 2013 contract completion date. Payout No. 1 appears on the May 2013 accounts payable.

Regarding R-13-13, Chairman Loftus expressed his pleasure that the Commission was looking towards entering agreements with up to twenty-two (22) firms for professional engineering services which will provide flexibility and should provide better competition and pricing for Commission projects. Chairman Loftus also advised the Committee that the intention of the Master Task Order Agreement format of the contracts require Commission consideration and approval of each Task Order developed.

General Manager Spatz advised the Committee as to the scope of work under the proposed agreement to retain the services of Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LTD., for professional services related to the Lexington Pump Station title transfer.

Chairman Loftus inquired with the Committee if there were any other questions regarding the proposed action items. Hearing none, Commissioner Furstenau moved to recommend approval of the following Engineering and Construction Committee items of the Commission Agenda: Seconded by Commissioner Scheck and approved by a Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: R. Furstenau, F. Saverino and M. Scheck

Nays: None

Abstain: D. Loftus

Item 2: Resolution No. R-13-13: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Master Contracts with the list of attached firms for Professional Engineering Services.

Item 3: To retain the services of Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LTD., for professional services related to the Lexington Pump Station Title Transfer in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Under items for discussion, General Manager Spatz informed the Committee that discussions were held with several Cook County municipalities regarding connections to the Commission's 72" or 90" transmission mains. A formal letter request by the Brookfield North-Riverside Water Commission has been received and provided to the Commissioners. General Manager Spatz sought and received consensus from the Committee to continue discussions with the various connection requestors with a future report to the DuPage Water Commission.

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Chairman Loftus inquired with the Committee if any other business or items are to be discussed. Hearing none, Commissioner Furstenau moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 P.M. Motion seconded by Commissioner Saverino and passed unanimously as follows:

Ayes: R. Furstenau, F. Saverino, M. Scheck and D. Loftus

Nays: None

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