

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE
OF THE DuPAGE WATER COMMISSION
HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2008
600 EAST BUTTERFIELD ROAD
ELMHURST, ILLINOIS**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M.

Committee members in attendance: G. Wilcox, F. Saverino, W. Maio and S. Louis Rathje *ex officio*.

Committee members absent: W. Mueller

Also in attendance: J. Schori, E. Kazmierczak, R.C. Bostick, F. Frelka, J. Nesbitt, Steve Palac and Dan Dragan.

Commissioner Saverino moved to approve the Minutes of the September 13, 2007 Engineering Committee. Motion seconded by Commissioner Maio and passed unanimously as follows:

Aye: F. Saverino, W. Maio and G. Wilcox
Nay: None
Absent: W. Mueller

The Committee reviewed the memorandum regarding the Status of Operations dated June 6, 2008.

Commissioner Wilcox moved to recommend to the Commission approval of payments in the amount of \$18,310.87 as part of the accounts payable, subject to submission of all contractually required documentation. Motion seconded by Commissioner Maio and passed unanimously as follows:

Quick Response Contracts

1. Install J-Box & Fiber Cabinet (QRE3-003A) in the amount of \$5,294.56
2. Replace Manhole Frame & Lid – Bloomingdale Rd & Dale Rd – Glendale Heights, 55th St. & Park Ave. – Downers Grove (QR7-018A) in the amount of \$13,316.31

Aye: F. Saverino, W. Maio and G. Wilcox
Nay: None
Absent: W. Mueller

Commissioner Maio moved to recommend to the Commission approval of Resolution No. R-28-08: A Resolution Awarding Quick Response Contract (Contract QR-8/08). Motion seconded by Commissioner Saverino. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

Aye: F. Saverino, W. Maio and G. Wilcox
Nay: None
Absent: W. Mueller

Commissioner Maio moved to recommend to the Commission approval of Resolution No. R-29-08: A Resolution Approving and Ratifying Certain Contract Change Orders at the June 12, 2008, DuPage Water Commission Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Saverino and passed unanimously as follows:

Aye: F. Saverino, W. Maio and G. Wilcox
Nay: None
Absent: W. Mueller

Commissioner Maio moved to recommend to the Commission approval of Resolution No. R-30-08: A Resolution Approving and Ratifying Certain Work Authorization Orders Under Quick Response Contract QR-7/05 at the June 12, 2008, DuPage Water Commission Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Saverino. Staff clarified the use of quick response contracts. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

Aye: F. Saverino, W. Maio and G. Wilcox
Nay: None
Absent: W. Mueller

Commissioner Maio moved to recommend to the Commission approval of Resolution No. R-31-08: A Resolution Approving the Execution of a Consent Agreement between the DuPage Water Commission, the Village of Roselle, and RTG-Roselle Main Street Station, LLC Regarding the Main Street Station Development. Motion seconded by Commissioner Saverino. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

Aye: F. Saverino, W. Maio and G. Wilcox
Nay: None
Absent: W. Mueller

Commissioner Maio moved to recommend to the Commission approval of Resolution No. R-32-08: A Resolution Approving the Execution of a Fifth Amendment to the Contract for Design of Concrete Reservoirs and Other Improvements at the DuPage Pump Station. Motion seconded by Commissioner Saverino. Commissioner Wilcox asked if this was going to be the last amendment to the Concrete Reservoir project. Staff advised that the amendments were necessary because of the delays in constructing the concrete reservoir proper while moving forward with other essential parts of the original concrete reservoir project. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

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Aye: F. Saverino, W. Maio and G. Wilcox
Nay: None
Absent: W. Mueller

The Engineering Committee directed staff to issue a Task Order under the Quick Response Electrical (QRE) Contract to complete modifications recommended by EN Engineering at the remote valve locations. Commissioner Wilcox asked staff if the Commission had the QRE contract in place and why we did not want to go out for bid. Staff replied that the QRE contract was in place with two contractors, Divane Brothers and Ridgewood Engineering and that by issuing a task order would move the process through quicker. Staff passed out a copy of the budgetary cost estimate and Commissioner Wilcox stated that most of the cost was in materials \$94,700 and labor was only \$37,120. Staff replied that the majority of the materials could be pre-purchased by the Commission saving any contractor mark-up. Commissioner Maio asked how the purchasing would be done. Staff replied with two sealed quotations. Commissioners Wilcox, Saverino and Maio all agreed that this made sense and directed staff to proceed.

Commissioner Wilcox stated that the bids for Contract PSC-4 (Lexington Pumping Station Backup Generator Project) were much higher than the engineer's cost estimate. Commissioner Maio concurred. Staff replied that after discussions with the bidder's representatives the higher costs were due to escalating material and energy costs as well as construction constraints and unknown economic factors spread out over a 2-year construction period. Commissioner Wilcox stated that because all the bids were very similar that meant the bid documents were very good and praised the engineers for their work preparing the bid documents. Commissioner Saverino asked how many bids were received and what the difference was between them. Staff replied that 4 bids were received with a range of \$28,644,000 - \$33,685,947. Staff also informed the Commissioners about the IGA with Chicago and the aggregate project cap of \$15 million each for the Commission and the City of Chicago. It was also stated that both the Commission and the City of Chicago would need to approve additional funding or find alternative means of cost reductions. Staff stated the Commission and the Chicago Department of Water Management were looking into alternative solutions which include re-bidding the Photovoltaic System with a reduced project scope. Staff stated that by re-bidding the Photovoltaic System to an electrical contractor may reduce the project cost.

Commissioner Maio asked if any action was needed at this time. Staff stated that no action was needed.

Commissioner Wilcox moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 P.M. Motion seconded by Commissioner Maio and unanimously approved by a Voice Vote.

All voted aye. Motion carried.