

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE
OF THE DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION
HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015
600 EAST BUTTERFIELD ROAD
ELMHURST, ILLINOIS**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Committee members in attendance: D. Loftus, F. Saverino, and J. Zay

Committee members absent: R. Furstenau and M. Scheck

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

Commissioner Saverino moved to approve the Minutes of the November 19, 2015 Engineering & Construction Committee Meeting of the DuPage Water Commission. Motion seconded by Chairman Zay.

All voted aye: Motion passed

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick provided an oral report of the Status of Construction/Operations memorandum from December 10, 2015:

Regarding the AECOM Condition Assessment, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee that the DuPage West Reservoir assessment is tentatively scheduled for inspection in January upon completion of Influent Valve repairs.

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee that the 2016 Standpipe Rehabilitation project, Rehabilitation of Coating Systems and Fall Protection Systems for Tank Sites No. 1 and No. 4 East (Contract SS-7/16) remains out for bids, that bid opening is scheduled for January 6, 2016 and nine (9) tank painting contractors have pulled the bidding documents.

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee the Contractor, Manusos General Contracting, Inc., for Reservoir and Meter Station 19B Concrete and Miscellaneous Metals Rehabilitation has completed the DuPage Pumping Station East Reservoir hatch and vent replacements and will release the West Reservoir to the Contractor for the hatch and vent replacements after the Influent Valve has been repaired and the Condition Assessment has been completed.

Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee that Masonry, Concrete Parapet and Railing Rehabilitation Work at the DuPage Pumping Station, by

Manusos General Contracting, Inc., is complete and a final balancing change order will be forthcoming.

Regarding resolution R-38-15, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee that Staff is making the recommendation to enter into agreements for Contract QRE-7/15, Quick Response Electrical Contract with two (2) contractors; McWilliams Electric Co., Inc. and Windy City Electric Company. General Manager Spatz advised the Committee that the recommended contractors met the the bidding requirements where the lowest percentage bidder did not meet minimum requirements.

Regarding the Request For Board Action (RFBA) for a new telephone system, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised that Staff invited several vendors on site to demonstrate their systems and after a thorough vetting, Staff is recommending entering into an agreement with Black Box Network Services. General Manager Spatz advised the Committee that the cost to provide equipment, assist in installation and commissioning of the system and provide training is at a cost of \$37,600.00. General Manager Spatz also advised that the recommended Black Box system utilizes digital and Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) and after vendor demonstration and testing and evaluation by Staff, Staff found the Black Box system provides the technology and the flexibility to support the Commission's telephone communication needs.

Regarding Pipeline Maintenance, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee that R-39-15 appears on the agenda to authorize Quick Response Contract QR-10/13 Work Authorization Order No. 011 for contractor assistance in accepting delivery of two (2) recently purchased 60-inch diameter valves, which weigh thousands of pounds, at a cost of \$4,000.00.

Regarding the Request For Board Action (RFBA) to furnish and deliver cast iron manhole frames and lids, Facilities Construction Supervisor Bostick advised the Committee that over the past several years, Staff has sought proposals from iron works companys to provide Commission standard manhole frames and lids and Neenah Foundry for the past several years has been the sole bidder. As previously reported by Staff, General Manager reminded the Committee that other firms have not submitted proposals due to the high cost of making the casting molds and they can not compete with Neenah as they have had the necessary casting molds in stock for years. General Manager further stated that the Pipeline department has been aggressive in performing replacements over the past few years and the proposed order would should satisfy the remainig needs of the Pipeline department for some time. General Manager Spatz advised the Committee that Neenah Foundry has agreed to hold their pricing at June 2014 pricing for a total amount of \$43,000.00 for this purchase.

Chairman Loftus inquired with the Committee if there were any questions regarding the Status of Operations report or action items. Hearing none, Commissioner Saverino moved to recommend approval of items 2 through 5 of the Engineering and Construction Committee portion of the Commission Agenda. Seconded by Chairman Zay.

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All voted aye: Motion passed

Chairman Loftus inquired the Committee if any other business or items are to be discussed.

Hearing none, Chairman Zay moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 P.M. Motion seconded by Commissioner Saverino.

All voted aye: Motion passed

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