

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE
OF THE DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION
HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2012
600 EAST BUTTERFIELD ROAD
ELMHURST, ILLINOIS**

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

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

Committee members absent: None

Also in attendance: J. Spatz, T. McGhee, F. Frelka, E. Kazmierczak, and J. Schori.

Commissioner Furstenu moved to approve the Minutes of the August 16, 2012 Engineering & Construction Committee Meeting of the DuPage Water Commission. Motion seconded by Commissioner Scheck and passed as follows:

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

Nays: None

Manager of Operations McGhee provided an oral report highlighting the Status of Operations report;

Manager of Operations McGhee reported that during the month of August and past several weeks the system is operating normally. It was also noted that the August pumpage has decreased from the prior month but it was approximately 7.5% higher than August 2011. The peak hour registered 133.2 MG on August 2, 2012.

Manager of Operations McGhee informed the committee that the Commission would be participating in various "green events" in the coming weeks.

Manager of Operations McGhee informed the committee that staff was investigating the use of "Drop Box" as an alternative to the Board Portal, but there were some concerns about the level of security. Chairman Loftus expressed his concern that there may be an over emphasized need for the security of documents that are readily available on the Commission's current website. He also suggested that staff should focus on a solution that would allow the Commissioners access to Board package materials via an I Pad.

Regarding PSD-7, DPPS Electrical Generation facilities, Manager of Operations McGhee informed the committee that the bulk of the outstanding issues have been resolved and the last open issue would hopefully be resolved in the coming week. Chairman Loftus asked if we felt the work has progressed at an acceptable pace as we are already past the completion date. Manager of Operations McGhee stated that the crew on site has been working

diligently, but CDM has caused delays by looking for the lowest cost solution. Manager of Operations McGhee noted that if all repairs are completed, staff will make a recommendation to grant final acceptance of the project at the October Commission meeting.

Manager of Operations McGhee advised the committee that the meter calibration program was under way.

Manager of Operations McGhee advised the committee that the current Quick Response Electrical Contract was expiring at the end of the year and a request for advertising appears on the agenda as R-30-12. Chairman Loftus requested the staff seek to add a 2 year Commission determined option to the current 2 year term of the contract.

Regarding the DuPage County Steeple Run Service Area, Manager of Operations McGhee advised that the contractor (Airy's Inc.) is nearly complete with the cast in place concrete substructure. The Contract Completion date is November 27, 2012. Manager of Operations McGhee advised the committee that an amendment to the engineering contract appears on the agenda as R-32-12. This amendment would provide additional expenses for the rebidding of the project as requested by the County of DuPage. Commissioner Furstenuau asked why the County requested the contract be rebid and was running the project. Manager of Operations McGhee responded that they wanted to lower the cost of the project and changed some the design to make sure they could stay on budget; he also stated that the Commission was in charge of managing the Project.

Regarding the DuPage County York Township Service Area, Manager of Operations McGhee stated that the Joint Facility Agreement was executed by all parties and we are currently reviewing property interest documentation provided by the County in order to reach an agreement on permanent access easements

Manager of Operations McGhee stated the Commission received six proposals for services to perform evaluations of the five (5) Commission steel water storage standpipes. The evaluations will focus on the condition of the steel structures and their paint coatings. It is anticipated that Staff will be making a recommendation to the Board to enter into a professional services contract at the October 2012 meeting.

Manager of Operations McGhee informed the Committee that staff has received a contract along with a pricing schedule from AT&T to provide commutation between the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's (ISTHA) towers. This item appears on the agenda as R-31-12 at a monthly cost of approximately \$1600 per month. Chairman Loftus commended staff with finding a solution in such a short time.

Manager of Operations McGhee advised the committee that the valve stem replacement project was approximately 33% complete and was on track to finish by the original completion date.

Regarding Contract TS-8/12 for corrosion mitigation on the South Transmission Mains, Manager of Operations McGhee advised the committee that a pre-con meeting was held on

September 20, 2012.

Manager of Operations McGhee informed the Committee that a contractor working for the Village of Downers Grove had hit the power feed to our 8E meter station. Approval and ratification of a QRE work authorization to repair this issue appears on the agenda as R-33-12. Staff is working with the Village to determine how the Commission will be reimbursed for this repair. Chairman Loftus asked if we incurred any additional costs in addition to the QRE charges associated with the repairs. Manager of Operations McGhee responded that there were no other significant costs

Commissioner Saverino moved to recommend approval of the following Resolutions:

- I. R-30-12: A Resolution Directing Advertisement for Bids on a Contract for Quick Response Electrical Work (Contract QRE-6/12)
- II. R-31-12: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Master contract with AT&T
- III. R-32-12: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a First Amendment to the Contract for Consulting Services for Design and Construction of a Joint Connection Facility for the DuPage Water Commission Facility
- IV. R-33-12: A Resolution Approving and Ratifying Certain Work Authorization Orders Under Quick Response Electrical Contract QRE-5/10

Seconded by Commissioner Furstenau unanimously approved by a Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

General Manager Spatz and Chairman Zay entered the meeting at 6:50 P.M.

General Manager Spatz advised the Committee that a check to cover the Commission's half of the 2012/2013 O&M costs for the Interconnection facilities at Lexington Pumping Station had been send, received, and cashed by the Chicago Department of Water.

Commissioner Furstenau moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 P.M. Motion seconded by Commissioner Scheck and passed unanimously as follows:

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

Nays: None