

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Commissioner Bushke with the following roll call:

Members Present: Commissioners Bushke, Guse, Pasbrig, Lodahl, and Engel and Alderpersons Smith and Ald. Frings

Members Absent:

Others Present: Nathan Kempke; Christina Keller

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Bob Smith, 5 Cottonwood Ln. Clock in council chambers should be fixed; wrong date and time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of September 3, 2019 and September 24, 2019, Water Utility Bills, Wastewater Bills.

Motion by Com. Guse, second by Ald. Frings to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed 7-0.

WATER REPORT**Well & Distribution System Report/Discussion**

Jason accepted the Water/Wastewater Operator position. Drug test/physical is to be done on Thursday so his start date is to be determined. A few hydrants are still needing to be repaired and 30 will be painted this Fall. Northwest area of the city still has discoloration according to hearsay. We are looking into adding phosphates to help with removing the discoloration in the water. Phosphates also help minimize lead contamination. Martelle estimates a start-up cost of around \$10,000 to incorporate phosphates.

WASTEWATER REPORT**WWTP & Lift station Report/Discussion**

Flows have been around 1 million a day with the increase in rain. The new discharge permit started today, we had expected the start date to be January 1, but we will have everything in place to take the required samples. MSA is doing a dissipative cooling study this month to investigate temperature disbursement within the river. Due to weather conditions, Trane canceled the crane that was to be used today to put the HVAC units up on the roof.

Kekoskee/LeRoy sent us invoices for their new pump that was installed at the lift station and previously paid jetting fees. The commission instructed Nathan to send the invoices to the attorney. Leachate study by Strand is underway. Clint and Nathan will be pulling out the UV System this week depending on weather.

Sewer System Report/Discussion

HydroClean has continued their work on the manholes. They still have to seal a few man holes before completing the contract. Next year we could consider lining sewer mains to help with the inflow.

PARK LIFT STATION UPGRADES DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

Both pumps at the Park lift station are worn and we have continuously been having problems with rags getting caught between the impellor and the casing. Rebuilding the pumps would likely cost nearly the same as replacing them. The cost of two new pumps is (\$10,400). The control panel at the lift station is outdated and does not have the same alarms as the other lift stations. A new panel is also needed. Cost estimates are provided for replacing the panels with the pumps controls only (\$12,325) or upgrading to a new panel that combines the pump controls with the telemetry system panel (\$14,400). Nathan provided the cost estimates from Altronex Control Systems in the packets.

Motion by Com. Engel, second by Com. Guse to approve the purchase of a the combined panel and 2 pumps from Altronex. Motion passed 7-0.

2020 INDUSTRIAL STRENGTH CHARGES POSSIBLE ACTION

We have historically increased prices by 4% to cover costs for chemicals and lab supplies.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Com. Pasbrig to approve proposed 4% increase. Motion passed 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Com. Guse, second by Ald. Frings to adjourn at 6:46p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Christina Keller, Utility Accountant