

**Bangor Water District
Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of the
Regular Monthly Meeting
June 27, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Bangor Water District Board of Trustees was held at 3:45 p.m. in the Hughes Building, 614 State Street. Present were:

Ralph Foss
Richard Fournier
Laurel Grosjean
Gerry Palmer
Dan Wellington

being more than a quorum of Trustees. Absent: Trustees Hamilton and Lawler. Also in attendance: General Manager Moriarty, District Engineer Soucier, and Office Manager Marchegiani. The clerk kept the minutes.

I. Public Comment: None.

Employee recognition: Taking the agenda out of order, the Board recognized Assistant Construction Supervisor Spencer who is retiring after 30 years of service. It was also noted that Equipment Operator Fall had reached 20 years of service.

II. Administrative:

Minutes: The minutes of the regular May and special June meetings were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: In the absence of Finance Manager Bailey, Moriarty reviewed the month's financial reports. She noted the year-to-date consumption is down by one percent, and expenses to date are right on budget. Income is up due to loan forgiveness through the Drinking Water Program. After questions, the report was accepted as presented.

Progress Report: After questions, the report was accepted as presented.

III. Old Business:

Engineer's Report: Soucier updated the Board on

- Hammond Street Phase II: Sewer main installation complete (laterals and catch basins need to be installed). Work continues on water above Columbia Street.
- Columbia Street: all service lines have been renewed. Surface restoration is nearing completion. Work begins shortly on moving overhead wires to underground conduits.
- Broadway: worked started June 13. Concrete found in roadway where none was anticipated, but installation work continues.
- Hammond Street tank repair: leak caused by stress fractures repaired, corroded areas were ground and welded, and the tank is being disinfected and refilled.
- Plow truck: In Skowhegan to be built over the next few months.

IV. New Business:

Workforce planning: Moriarty said the position of assistant construction supervisor will not be filled; instead another utility worker will be hired. She said the long-term plan is to combine the construction and service departments in some fashion.

Engineering review: Moriarty asked for Board consensus on whether to further explore the feasibility of wind power in the watershed. This would involve an engineering firm to develop the various options/pros/cons for consideration by the Trustees. She noted the RFP would be written as time allowed over the fall and winter, to be issued next year. After discussion, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to approve development of an RFP for a wind turbine feasibility study.

Ozone upgrades: Moriarty discussed the proposals received to develop needed upgrades to the ozone disinfection system; the plant and its technology are now more than 20 years old. Four firms responded to Bangor Water's RFP, and all four met with staff and toured the facility. Proposals were ranked independently by a staff review committee, with cost being considered as 25 percent of the scoring. All six reviewers selected Woodard & Curran, and Moriarty reviewed the firm's qualifications and previous experience with Bangor Water. After discussion, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to award the ozone upgrade design proposal to Woodard & Curran (also low bidder at \$310,000).

Water main replacement bid: Soucier presented the bids for replacement of 2,000 feet of c. 1910 and 1946 pipe on outer Hammond Street and Maine Avenue. The line has had a number of recent leaks, and the City plans to reconstruct and pave the area in 2018. A public information session will be held on July 19 with work to begin later in the month; completion is anticipated in November. Soucier presented the seven bids received, and it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to award the work to Gardner Construction as low bidder at \$523,850.

Johnston Pump Station windows and doors: Soucier said additional information is still being gathered on replacement windows and doors for the building constructed in 1957. She anticipated a vote on proposals in July.

Standpipe recoating/relining bids: Soucier presented bid results to repaint the exterior of the Thomas Hill metal tank and to recoat the glass interior of the Hermon tank. She explained the scheduling to avoid having both tanks off-line at the same time, and to avoid work during the July and October tours at Thomas Hill. Only one vendor returned a bid, and after discussion it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to award the standpipe work to Limerick Steeplejacks (\$194,800 for Thomas Hill and \$150,000 for the Hermon tank).

V. Other Business

None.

Board Correspondence: As distributed.

Hearing no further business to come before the meeting, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously
VOTED: to adjourn at 5:05 p.m.

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