

GRATIOT AREA WATER AUTHORITY
November 11, 2016

The regular meeting of the Gratiot Area Water Authority was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Giles in the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the board was present.

Board members present: Kurt Giles, Tom Reed, Roxann Harrington, and Don Pray.
Board members absent: Phillip Moore and Melissa Allen.
Others present: John Willemin, Ron Turner, Keith Risdon, Theo VanWallmenich, and Recording Secretary Sara Youngs.

Motion by Pray, seconded by Reed, to approve the minutes of October 14, 2016. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

Motion by Pray, seconded by Giles, to approve a request for payment to Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr, and Huber in the amount of \$2,896.60 for services rendered. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

Motion by Harrington, seconded by Reed, to approve a request for payment to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for the 2016 Community Public Water Supply Annual Fee in the amount of \$3,037.00. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

Motion by Pray, seconded by Harrington, to approve a request for payment to RCL Construction Co., Inc. for Pay Application #29 in the amount of \$50,581.30. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Pray, to approve Change Order #1 to Dixon Engineering, Inc. for the 1,000,000 gallon reservoir painting project, increasing the amount of the contract by \$824.50, and to approve payment of Invoice #16-1198 in the amount of \$8,609.00. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

John Willemin offered the following engineer's report:

Water Plant

- Chimney and boiler work is in progress, but not complete. Expected to be complete within the next few weeks. Test and balance work on new boiler to follow.
- Remaining work consists primarily of change order, closeout, and punch list work.
- RCL is continuing with O&M submittals as they become available.

Booster Stations

- FTCH to get updated punchlist to RCL.

Well 9 Well House

- O&Ms approved to be submitted.
- Final payment request from JR Heineman is in progress.

Giddings Elevated Water Storage Tank

- FTCH to do a follow up inspection Friday.
- Bock Electric was retained to terminate the wiring on the altitude valve limit switch and install heat trace on the altitude valve piping. Done except heat trace and insulation.
- Maguire requested to provide cost to move pressure sensing line to provide room for insulation.

Wells 10 and 11 Raw Water Transmission Main and Well Houses

- Hydrogeological test reports are in progress for Wells 10/11.
- Draft easement documents have been issued to the City of St. Louis for the Wells 10/11 access road.
- The Mid-Michigan District Health Department (MMDHD) has not responded as to status of well testing results.
- Review sets of drawings and specifications were issued to EPA and DEQ for the Well House and Raw Water Transmission projects for comments prior to permit application submittals.
- The Well House project bid opening is tentatively scheduled for mid-January, and the Raw Water Transmission project bid opening is tentatively scheduled for the end of January.

Hydrogeological Study and Well 12

- FTCH is working on a memo to document the modeling conducted to support the installation of Well 12 as requested by EPA.
- Identification of available sites for Well 12 is currently on hold.

Ron Turner offered the water production report for October. He noted St. Louis has been on line for over a year and is averaging consumption of about 48% of water produced by the water plant. Alma is consuming the other 52%.

Vice-Chair Giles provided Financial Statements for October.

Motion by Harrington, seconded by Reed, to receive the reports and place them on file. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

Motion by Harrington, seconded by Pray, to approve appropriations, Warrant 17-5, and the several amounts scheduled therein, also to authorize the City Treasurer to issue checks for payment of the same. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

Public comment: none.

Motion by Pray, seconded by Harrington, to adjourn the meeting at 12:22 p.m. Motion carried with a voice vote. Voting yes: Giles, Reed, Harrington, and Pray. Voting no: none. Absent: Moore and Allen.

Sara Youngs, Recording Secretary

Date of Approval