

A regular meeting of the Gratiot Area Water Authority was called to order at 11:59 a.m. by Chairman Kurt Giles in the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Authority was present.

Authority members present: Kurt Giles, Tom Reed, Matt Schooley, and Melissa Allen.
Authority members not present: Roxann Harrington, and Don Pray.
Others present: Ron Turner, John Willemin, Keith Risdon, Rosemary Horvath, Dave Ringle, Bill Pilmore, and Cynthia Michels.

**Motion by Schooley, seconded, by Reed, to approve the agenda with an addition to "Other Business".
Motion carried with a voice vote.**

**Motion by Allen, seconded by Schooley, to approve the minutes of September 8, 2017, as presented.
Motion carried with a voice vote.**

Other Business

Motion by Reed, seconded by Allen, to approve a final change order to Peerless Midwest, Inc. for the Well #1 Rehabilitation Project to increase the amount of the contract by \$270.00 and approve payment of Invoice #50500 in the amount of \$18,604.00. Motion carried with a voice vote.

John Willemin, of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, explained the next item of business, a change order for RCL Construction to cover final accounting on the water treatment plant project and change the final completion date to September 28, 2017.

Roxann Harrington arrived at 12:04 p.m.

Motion by Schooley, seconded by Reed, to approve Change Order #15 for RCL Construction Co. Inc., in the amount of \$5,364.00. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Reports

John Willemin offered the following engineer's update:

Water Plant

- Final change order and request for payment application submitted for Board approval.
- Record drawings have been submitted for review.

Booster Stations

- Project is complete.

Wells 10 and 11 Raw Water Transmission Main

- Remaining portions of work include Riverview and valve vault at water plant.
- Riverview pipe scheduled to be complete by end of week.
- Road construction scheduled through October 30.

Wells 10 and 11 Contract

- Work is complete pending completion of abandonment of existing St Louis wells 4 and 7, which is delayed due to issues with moving existing overhead utilities.

Wells 10 and 11 Well Houses

- Schedule delayed due to delay in electrical installation.
- Electrical installation can be scheduled with approval of easements now complete.

Hydrogeological and Well 12

- Further activity to locate Well 12 is pending feedback/approval from EPA.
- Static water level at Ludwick residence measured 10/5/2017.
- Damaged monitoring well at Well 9 was evaluated. Garret Powell will provide quote to repair. A data logger was lost in well. The logger will be retrieved, if possible, when well is fixed.

Brief discussion was held about the progress of the transmission main project. Willemin said they had been out to the Ludwick residence for water level measurements, and had spent some time explaining the project to the residents there.

Ron Turner provided the September Water Production Report. He noted both city's consumption rates had dropped as expected for this time of year.

The financial report was provided by Chairman Giles. There were no questions, but Cynthia Michels, the City Controller, spoke briefly about the report.

Motion by Harrington, seconded by Allen, to receive and place on file, the Engineer's Update, September Water Production Report, and September Financial Statements. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Motion by Schooley, seconded by Allen, to approve Warrant 18-03 and the several amounts scheduled therein, also to ratify payment of the same. Motion carried with a voice vote.

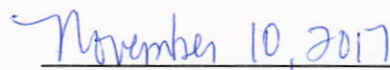
Public Comment

Mick Koutz asked several questions about the transmission main project. Willemin and Turner responded.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Schooley, to adjourn at 12:25 p.m. Motion carried with a voice vote.



Sara Youngs, Recording Secretary



Date of Approval