

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN
BOARD OF WATERWORKS COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
Monday, March 17, 2025

OPENING OF MEETING

President Van De Kreeke convened the meeting at 3:30 PM.

Present: President Gerald Van De Kreeke, Member Rich Dale. Superintendent Joe Trueblood

Secretary Tom Howe excused

1. Pledge of Allegiance

All present honored the flag of the United States of America

MINUTES

2. Approval of minutes

Commissioner Dale made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke, to approve the minutes of the Feb. 17, 2025 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

3. Financial reports and approval of vouchers

Commissioner Van De Kreeke made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dale, to approve the financials as presented including general vouchers of \$456,668.12 and gross payroll of \$228,029.59. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Superintendent's report including operations, construction-maintenance, and customer relations/fiscal

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

5. Review claim submitted by Founders club

Superintendent requested this item be held over due to gathering of more background info.

6. Review proposal for membership in Municipal Environmental Group (MEG)

Superintendent reviewed information on the Municipal Environmental Group (MEG) water division as provided by the Boardman legal group. MEG is a coalition of municipal water systems formed in 1991 to lobby on municipal water issues before the Wisconsin state legislature. As one example, Superintendent noted recent issues with conflicts between PSC and state statutes, leading to more complications in funding LSL replacements. Membership cost is \$2,000 annually. Commissioner Dale made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke, to join the MEG group as proposed. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Review funding options for filter 7/8/9 and roof reconstruction project

Superintendent noted that he and senior accountant Gottsacker have been reviewing funding options with WI Finance Professionals for the upcoming 7/8/9 filter and roof reconstruction project. More details will be presented at the April board meeting.

8. Review process for determining water main replacement size

Superintendent reviewed a summary sheet provided by Distribution on the process for selecting a water main size in replacement or new projects. This includes a number of details including area served, pressure zone, proximity to transmission mains, fire flows, head loss, and others.

9. Review lawn care and landscaping proposals

Superintendent reviewed a proposal from JAWS lawn and landscaping for ongoing law care at 72 Park Avenue and all remote sites, broken into per visit costs. Commissioner Dale made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke, to accept the proposal as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Review proposals for water main parts/appurtenances

Superintendent reviewed a parts list for inventory and emergency repairs along with fire hydrants and valves. Ferguson was at \$92,650.47; First Supply was at \$104,136.86; and ETNA Supply was at \$99,717.95. Commissioner Dale made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke, to approve the proposal by Ferguson at \$92,650.47. Motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL

NEXT MEETING

11. Next meeting will take place on: April 28, 2025

ADJOURN

At 4:39 PM, Commissioner Dale made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Van De Kreeke. Motion passed unanimously.

12. Motion to Adjourn