

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WATER UTILITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY, WISCONSIN HELD AT CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM A, 5050 SOUTH LAKE DRIVE ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Chairman Kober with the following members in attendance: Mr. Heidenreich, Mr. Marsh and Mr. Kramer. Superintendent Miller and Director of Public Works Lange also present. Mr. Miller absent and excused.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 3, 2008 MEETING

Moved by Mr. Kramer, second by Mr. Marsh to approve the minutes of the December, 2008 meeting

All voting in favor.

2009 BRASS GOODS PRICES

Superintendent Miller presented the 2009 Brass Goods Prices to the Commission.

Moved by Mr. Heidenreich, second by Mr. Marsh to approve the 2009 Brass Goods Prices as written.

All voting in favor.

2009 SPECIAL WORK RATES

Superintendent Miller presented the 2009 Special Work Rates to the Commission.

Moved by Mr. Heidenreich, second by Mr. Marsh to approve the 2009 Special Work Rates as written.

All voting in favor.

WATER MAIN BREAK UPDATE

Superintendent Miller gave the Commission a report on water main breaks, breaks are up 50% compared to the utility historical average for this time period. The utility has seen good response from utility and DPW employees so the use of contractors has been kept to a minimum. There was a break at S. Pennsylvania Ave and E. Dale Ave which will require expensive road restoration. There was also some discussion about the Whitakker Ave. and Bottsford Ave. areas and the condition of the those mains.

RATE CASE UPDATE

Superintendent Miller discussed the status of the rate increase. The public hearing was held on February 11 at City Hall with Public Works Director Lange, Superintendent Miller and Commissioner Heidenreich in attendance. One local customer attended the hearing and testified on record against the rate increase. The WIPSC has indicated that the rate increase will go through as submitted. At this time the utility has not received the final rate order, Superintendent Miller expects the earliest date the rates could go into effect would be April 1, 2009.

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET PROPOSAL

Superintendent Miller presented information to the Commission regarding Governor Doyle's budget proposal. The budget includes language which would impose a fee on all high capacity water users. Any utility using over 50 million gallons of water per year would pay a fee that is undetermined at this point. In 2008 the Cudahy Water Utility pumped 1.3 billion gallons of water, so this fee would be applied to the utility and would be passed on to customers. The Superintendent expressed concerns on the cost to local water customers

including large industrial users. The Superintendent was directed to keep the Commission informed as more information becomes available.

2009 NATIONAL AWWA TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

The Commission discussed the 2009 AWWA Technical conference being held in June. There are funds budgeted for a manager to attend, however after discussing current economic conditions Utility Management and the Commission felt attendance at the AWWA conference would not be prudent at this time.

Moved by Mr. Heidenreich, second by Mr. Kramer to cancel the trip to the Annual AWWA Technical conference this year due to current economic conditions. Future attendance will be reviewed during the budget process.

All voting in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Miller second by Mr. Kramer to adjourn. All voting in favor (4:26 PM).

John Heidenreich, Secretary

ATTEST: Henry Kober