



## MINUTES Water Board

4:00 PM - Tuesday, April 11, 2023 Water Department, 3050 5th Avenue

The Water Board of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 4:00 PM, at Water Department, 3050 5th Avenue, with the following members present:

PRESENT:

John Bender, Amy Olson, William Kling, John McIntosh, and Terry

Chew

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Steigerwaldt

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Motion to approve the March 21st 2023 minutes and March 2023 payable invoices for \$1,481,879.94.

Moved by Chew, seconded by Kling, to approve the above referenced items. Bender asked if the overtime last month was from water main breaks. Steigerwaldt stated it was from mainly two all night water main breaks. One by Quality Auto on 7th Avenue and the other one was on Alburnett Road just north of Geode Street.

Approved unanimously

Motion to receive and file the March 2023 revenue, expense and financial reports.

Moved by McIntosh, seconded by Olson, to approve above referenced items. Steigerwaldt noted there was nothing out of the ordinary to report this month.

Approved unanimously

Motion setting a Public Hearing for May 9th 2023 at 4:00 pm to discuss future water rate increase to be effective starting July 1, 2023.

Moved by Kling, seconded by Bender, to approve above mentioned item. Approved unanimously

Motion accepting quotes and awarding contract to National Wash Authority, LLC dba Midwest Mobile Washers.

Moved by Bender, seconded by Kling, to approve above mentioned item. Steigerwaldt stated he received 6 quotes from contractors to wash the 0.5 MG elevated water tower at 3050 5th Avenue, the 1 MG elevated water tower on 35th Avenue and 35th Street and the 1 MG ground storage tank at 450 Echo Hill Road. He recommended hiring National Wash



Authority to perform this work as they had the best proposal and they have done work for the department before.

Approved unanimously

Resolution #23-10 approving contract and bond with Rathje Construction Company, Inc. for the 2023 27th Street Water Main Relay Project.

Moved by McIntosh, seconded by Kling, to approve item referenced above. Steigerwaldt stated Rathje Construction was the low bid at \$279,710.00 or 12% below the engineer's estimate. They have submitted the signed contracts and bond for said project. Rathje Construction expects to start this project later this fall.

Approved by the following votes:

Ayes: Bender, Olson, Kling, McIntosh, and Chew

Resolution #23-11 approving contract and bond with Shawver Well Company, Inc. for the Well 11 Improvement Project.

Moved by Chew, seconded by Olson, to approve the above referenced item. Steigerwaldt stated Shawver Well Company was the low bidder and they installed our last Silurian Well #10 as a subcontractor for Northway Well and Pump. They plan to start drilling later this summer. Steigerwaldt stated he has told the farmer about the project and the farmer is okay with some crop damage which will simply reduce our acreage rent accordingly. Approved by the following votes:

Ayes: Bender, Olson, Kling, McIntosh, and Chew

Motion approving payment to Veenstra & Kim Inc. for engineering services for the Well 5 & 8 Water Treatment Project for \$636.30.

Moved by Chew, seconded by Olson, to approve item referenced above. Steigerwaldt stated the consultant is at 88% of the contracted amount. He mentioned they still have \$10,000 of retainage left to pay the contractor. The plant is producing water and staff continues to learn the new characteristics of the filters.

Approved unanimously

Motion approving payment #2 to Veenstra & Kimm Inc. for engineering design services for Silurian Well 11 for \$127.50.

Moved by McIntosh, seconded by Kling, to approve item referenced above. Steigerwaldt stated the consultant was at 21.2% of the contract amount.

Approved unanimously

Discussion regarding Field Operations Reports.

Steigerwaldt reviewed with the board the monthly service reports and field activities for March 2023. He stated staff had 3 water main breaks in March. Crews also continue to remodel the older booster station at Site #5 and the annual hydrant flushing began this week.

## ADJOURN at 4:51 PM

The next Marion Water Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 9th 2023 at 4:00 PM at 3050 5th Avenue, Marion or on Zoom.



Amy Olson, Chairman

Todd Steigerwaldt, Secretary