

A regular meeting of the Gratiot Area Water Authority was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chairman Giles in the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Authority was present.

Roll Call

Authority members present: Tom Reed, Kurt Giles, Matt Schooley, Melissa Allen, and Don Pray.

Authority members absent: Roxann Harrington (excused).

Others present: Keith Risdon, Alan Leute, David Ringle, and Bill Pilmore.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Reed, seconded by Pray to approve the minutes of June 8, 2018, as presented. Motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

Requests for Payment

Motion by Allen, seconded by Schooley, to approve a request for payment to the City of St. Louis in the amount of \$4,384.14 for Gratiot Area Water Authority administrative services. Motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

Other Business

Discussion was held about a plan for items to be addressed by the Finance Committee. A meeting for the Finance Committee will be scheduled for the week of July 23rd. Some of the issues at hand are a purchasing policy, financial reports, a proper list of assets, and bank statements.

Reports

Chairman Giles offered the following Engineer's Update on behalf of John Willemin. Members reviewed the update, and discussed some lingering issues from the Wells 10 & 11 project.

Wells 10 and 11 Raw Water Transmission Main

- A request for Substantial Completion is still pending from the Contractor.
- Painting and labeling in the valve vault is pending as well as final treatment on the leak in the vault, which is not apparent in the dry season.
- One concrete repair is pending on the punch list.
- Turf establishment remains an issue for final restoration which will need to be addressed.
- There is some discussion pending about doing additional drainage improvements at the bend at Ennis and Van Buren Roads.

Wells 10 and 11 Well Houses

- The project punch list is complete except for two electrical/control punch list items and turf establishment.
- The drain tile in the area around Well 11 was investigated and found to be clear. The drainage issues are thought to be due to consolidation of soils during construction. The farmer has proposed that he will work the area in the fall to try to restore drainage.

Wells 10 and 11 Wells Contract

- Closeout is pending the Contractor's submittal of the final pay application.

Hydrogeological and Well 12

- Further activity to locate Well 12 is pending feedback/approval from EPA.

Reliability Study

- The draft report was issued November 17, 2017. Final revisions will be completed after all review comments have been received.

Groundwater Monitoring

- The resident at 5319 N. Ennis Road was contacted regarding an initial complaint he raised about his water quality as reported to him by his cleaning lady. He initially was going to schedule a time for Garrett Powell to inspect the well, but later changed his mind because he has not observed any issues.
- We spoke with Garrett Powell also about a report of a service his company provided to a residence on Blue Heron. He reported that residence had a leak in their bladder tank that was fixed by their technician with a 10 minute visit.

Chairman Giles presented the Water Production Report for June 2018. He noted there were no surprises. David Ringle explained there would likely be a jump in production on the next report due to the dry weather we are having currently.

Motion by Reed, seconded by Pray, to receive and place on file, the Engineer's Update and June Water Production Report. Motion carried with unanimous voice vote.

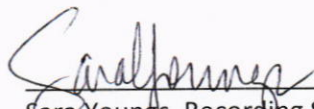
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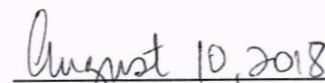
Motion by Allen, seconded by Schooley, to approve Warrant 18-12 and approve the several amounts scheduled therein, also to ratify payment of the same. Motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

Bill Pilmore, Water Plant Superintendent, explained that the attenuators had arrived that morning, and installation was in process.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.


Sara Youngs, Recording Secretary


Date of Approval