



**UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
FRIDAY, JULY 11, 2014, 7:15 A.M.  
Water Treatment Plant, 555 Lincoln St.  
Large Conference Room

Members Present: D. Grumman, D. Lanyon, J. Nieuwsma, E. Rosenberg, M. White  
Members Absent: D. Grumman, M. Landis  
Staff Present: C. Hurley, A. Price, D. Stoneback  
Presiding Member: D. Lanyon

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**DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum being present, Chair Lanyon called the meeting to order at 7:15 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 13, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the June 13, 2014 meeting be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously approved with a minor change.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMUNICATIONS**

**a. Forthcoming Utilities Department activities**

Mr. Stoneback announced that the City will be hosting the West Shore Water Producer's Association summer meeting at the water treatment plant on July 24<sup>th</sup>, and there will be an Open House at the water treatment plant celebrating 100 years of clean, safe, reliable water on July 26<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**a. Work Plan Item 1.1 Update on development of a building energy efficiency white paper and update on status of city database**

Ms. Hurley said that an intern has been gathering information for the database for the past month. She said that they are making progress and she should have more to report at next month's meeting.

**b. Work Plan Item 2.1 Investigate the potential for water conservation and wastewater reuse in city-owned buildings update – Status of draft report on water conservation at five city facilities**

No action was taken.

**c. Work Plan Item 2.3 Develop long term needs for municipal sewer and water infrastructure – Item is inactive until consideration of 2015 budget**

No action was taken.

**d. Status of the next community aggregation contract incorporating local renewable energy and/or energy efficiency benefits**

No action was taken.

**e. Dusk-to-Dawn Street Lighting – Status report on ComEd billing street lighting circuits and selection of circuits for testing**

Mr. Stoneback said that Mr. Twigg updated ComEd's street lighting report, and he provided Mr. Batara with a copy of the updated report.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **a. Recent Electric System Outages, Basement Flooding Concerns and Water Service Interruptions, and status of 2014 improvement projects**

Mr. Stoneback reported the following:

- There was a power outage on June 18<sup>th</sup> due to an overgrown tree on private property, and a planned power outage on June 26<sup>th</sup> so ComEd could do work.
- There was a significant rain event on June 30<sup>th</sup> which caused flooding and basement backups primarily on the northwest side of town.
- There was only one water main break in June which was caused by a contractor excavating.
- All of the improvement projects are moving along well, and the inspection report for the Standpipe Painting and Repair project will be put on the City's website.
- There was a routine audit of the water treatment plant by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

### **b. Status of negotiations with potential new wholesale water customers**

Mr. Stoneback said that the Village of Lincolnwood has hired Christopher Burke, and they will be in contact with the City. He said that the Northwest Water Commission has hired Carollo Engineers to look at all of their alternatives, and that Niles, Morton Grove, and Park Ridge have hired Bill Balling to help them decide between Evanston and Wilmette/Glenview.

### **c. Community-wide Water Conservation Initiative – Ideas on development of a city water use efficiency policy for city buildings**

Mr. Stoneback said that the Tap Water Station has been at two to three City sponsored events every week, and might be going to events in Buffalo Grove as well.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Inactive task: Work plan item 1.2 Develop a plan to reduce energy consumption at the water treatment plant – Item complete pending pump replacement schedule**
- Inactive task: Work plan item 1.3 Develop a baseline for energy consumption in municipal buildings update – Status of energy consumption database update and update of the Aukman report**
- Inactive task: Work plan item 2.2 Reduce the amount of stormwater entering the combined sewers in sandy subsoil areas of the City – Item complete pending the annual report of the Director of Public Works on the**

**Complete and Green Network Approach for Construction Projects in the Public Right of Way**

- d. Inactive task: Work plan item 2.4 Evaluate the potential impact of pending USEPA sewer/water regulations on the sewer system and water treatment plant**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Price  
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