

WATER BOARD MEETING  
 FEBRUARY 15, 2011  
 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chuck Storie, Board President.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT - Board President Chuck Storie, Board Members; Tony Higginbotham, Frank Massey, John Wall and Robin Meyer; Rick Denney, Plant Superintendent, Gary Murray, City Engineer; Terry Coriden & Bryce Wagner from Coriden Law Office, and Donna Lecher, Utilities Office Manager.

ABSENT – None

The Minutes of the January 18, 2011 Water Board Meeting were approved.

1. **WATER METER BID OPENING'S** – City Engineer, Gary Murray, stated the City received three bids. There were seven companies as well as three plan rooms that held the bid information. Gary recommended the Board not open the bids to compromise the company's bids, and reopen the process at a later date as a Request for Proposal. This process would enable other companies to present their solution with the latest technology that would be able to migrate to a fixed base system. **Chuck made a motion to reject the bids and re-write the specs. John seconded the motion, all ayes, and motion passed.**
  
2. **DCRW ADDENDUM** – Rick presented the "Second Addendum to July 24, 2007 Agreement" from Rural Water to the Board. The agreement is a request for a new point of connection to the City's 16" water main. The connection is at a point past the Greensburg water tower by the Honda plant. Their line will run north to a new water tower Rural Water is building. Rick recommended we pass the Addendum contingent the 75% System Development Fee DCRW collects, then pays to Greensburg Water as new members connect to their system, still be in place. Rick stated he cycles the tower weekly and if we need to repair their tower, we could use theirs. **Chuck made motion, Tony second, to approve the Addendum with the contingency of Rural Water still passing 75% of their System Development Fee to Greensburg Water. All ayes and passed.**

**Regarding Item 1.,** Terry Coriden questioned why the Board is rejecting the Water Meter Bids. Gary Murray stated to start the process over as a Request for Proposals to enable the City to look at other systems and look at it as a long term solution. He felt it wasn't fair for the bids to be read in the public if the Board wasn't going to accept any. Terry wanted a motion made that the Board is returning the bids unopened so they wouldn't be held here for public view of the open door law. **Motion was made by Robin to return the unopened bids to the respective bidder and seconded by John. All ayes and motion passed.**

3. **GENERATOR** – Rick submitted two quotes for a new generator. They currently are using a two year old 1000 watt that keeps kicking off when they are using their

grinder. Chuck asked if they are quoting the exact same machine. Rick stated they are. It is a Honda EU2000 Generator as follows:

<b>Greensburg Motorsports</b>	<b>\$769.00</b>
<b>Schmidt Engine Service</b>	<b>\$699.00</b>

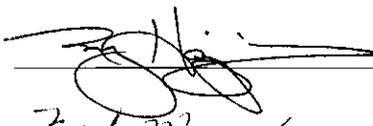
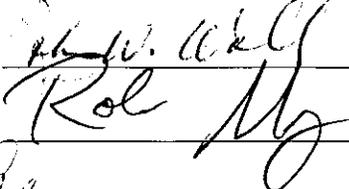
**Motion was made by Frank and second by Robin to accept the bid from Schmidt Engine Service for \$699.00. All ayes and passed.**

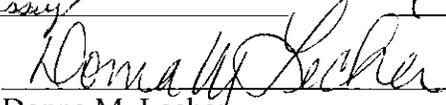
**Rick and the Mayor mentioned the 2011 Water and Sewer 5% rate increase** that is to go in affect 5/1/2011 pending Council approval. Umbaugh recommended the 15% increase in 2010. The Council decided to spread the increase over a 3 year period at 5% each year. Donna Lecher handed out a letter, as well as a chart showing the 2007-2010 history of revenue/expenses and profit/loss, that was presented to the Board of Works and the Council at their February meetings, recommending the increase plan be followed. Robin made comment that it was the Board's intent to raise the rates in 2010 when the issue was recommended to the Council and it should be followed. **John made motion to continue with the proposed 5% increase in 2011, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck, all ayes and motion carried.**

- 4. **HNTB UPDATES** – Darren gave an update on the Raw Water Line. I-74 boring is complete. There is less than 1000 foot of pipe to install. 91% has been billed. Testing will be the biggest thing to do, which is being done all at one time. There are a couple of change orders he is working on. The original completion date was 2/23/11 and will possibly be requesting an extension to 5/1/2011. Robin asked if Darren was ok with the extension and if it would cost more. Darren stated he is ok with it and there shouldn't be any additional engineering cost. They had originally budgeted for two men and have only kept one. John asked what if the line leaks. Darren stated that should not cost more and that HNTB would inspect it when they were done. He said the company visually inspects each line as it's connected by climbing inside. Their line test will be a 2 or an 8 hour test which follows AWWA standards.
  
- 5. **MAYOR GARY HERBERT – ISSUES THAT HE WISHES TO PRESENT TO THE BOARD** – The Mayor discussed the proposed rate increase earlier and had nothing else.

With nothing more to come before the board, Chuck adjourned the meeting at 6:26 pm.

PRESIDING OFFICER 

ATTEST: 

Donna M. Lecher  
Water Office Manager