

# Minutes

## NEW BERLIN UTILITY COMMITTEE

December 05, 2001

**Members Present:** Alderman Gallagher, Alderman Ament, Alderman Thomas, Robert Dude (Citizen Member), Michael Holzinger (Director Finance and Utility)

**Others Present:** Mayor Wysocki, Alderman Scheuble, JP Walker (City Engineer), Rick Johnson and Mark Klawitter (Utility), Representatives of Crispell – Snyder, Steve Schulz (Ruekert Mielke)

**Alderman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.**

ITEM 33-01 Approval of Minutes of October 03, 2001 meeting.

Motion by Alderman Thomas to approve the minutes of the Utility Committee meeting of October 03, 2001. Second by Alderman Ament, and passed unanimously.

ITEM 32-01 2002 Sewer and Water Budget

Item deferred to future meeting.

ITEM 34-01B Public Service Commission – Approval of Water Rate Increase

Motion by Mr. Holzinger to approve the PSC authorized rate increase. Second by Mr. Dude. Upon voting, the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 36-01 Buena Park Pilot Project Report

Presentation by Crispell – Snyder on the progress of the Buena Park Pilot Project.

Testing of the area to date include; flow monitoring, rainfall measurement, smoke testing, die water testing, closed circuit TV, and inventory, integrate and review of input. Questions were posed by the committee, and were addressed by the respondents. The preliminary overall opinion of the consultants is that there are many small problems causing a much larger problem, but much more data is needed. The study is scheduled to conclude August of 2002. Committee would like to see the problems all ready discovered addressed as soon as possible.

ITEM 37-01 Deer Creek Interceptor Project Report

JP Walker updates the committee with information from RA Smith.

ITEM 38-01 Non-priority Basin Manhole Rehab Project Report

JP Walker discusses the ongoing contracts. Contract A is 70% completed, with work continuing. Contract B has not yet begun. There have been some minor issues, which are being addressed.

#### ITEM 39-01 Well Number 11 Status Report and Timeline

Steve Schulz of Ruckert Mielke briefly updated the committee on the progress and status of Well Number 11. Schedule is ahead of anticipated projections. Chairman Gallagher adds that he has submitted a request for reconsideration of his vote for approval of this contract.

#### ITEM 40-01 Water Division Status Report

Mr. Holzinger presents information in regard to changes recently made in management, the exceptional efforts being put forward by the staff, and updates of projects ongoing.

Concerns regarding the pumping capacity are addressed.

#### ITEM 41-01 Wastewater Division Status Report

Update presented to the committee by Mr. Holzinger in regard to the status of projects.

Questions are raised about the Regal Manor North station being pulled out of the ground, the amount of time and work involved in sewer main cleaning, and the sidepath impact on the Utility.

Motion by Mr. Holzinger at 5:50 p.m. to move to closed session to discuss Milwaukee Water Negotiations, second by Alderman Ament, and approved unanimously.

The basis for the items to be discussed in Closed Session are as enumerated in Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a Closed Session.

Motion by Alderman Ament at 6:15 p.m. to move to open session, second by Alderman Thomas and approved unanimously.

Motion by Alderman Ament to recommend to Common Council approval to continue negotiations with the City of Milwaukee and for staff to provide the required information to Milwaukee Water. Second by Alderman Thomas, and passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Holzinger, second by Alderman Ament, and approved unanimously.