

**City of Stevens Point
Board of Water and Sewerage Commissioners
November 13, 2023 - 12:00 PM**

**Stevens Point Public Utilities
300 Bliss Avenue, Stevens Point, WI**

OR

Zoom Teleconferencing

Meeting ID: | 820 26885705

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MINUTES

Discussion and Possible Action on:

1. Roll Call.

PRESENT: Paul Adamski, Anna Haines and Ray Schmidt

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Carl Rasmussen and Mae Nachman

ALSO PRESENT: Joel Lemke, Mary Klesmith, Chris Lefebvre, Eric Southworth, Jason Draheim, Jaime Zdroik and Alderman Lang

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Anna Haines, seconded by Ray Schmidt to approve the October 9, 2023 meeting minutes of the Board of Water & Sewerage Commission.

Ayes all. Nays none. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Department Claims

Motion made by Ray Schmidt, seconded by Anna Haines to approve the department claims for the month of October as audited and read.

Ayes all. Nays none. Motion carried.

4. Water Supply and Distribution Reports - *Eric Southworth*

Eric stated the lead and copper sampling required by the D.N.R. has been completed. The services with lead goosenecks have all been removed and will not be in our lead and copper sampling in the future. Out of the 30 samples required every three years, we had one sample come back with a high copper result. When a sample comes back high, the DNR requires it to be resampled. When it was resampled, the result came back under the action level. We are required to provide the homeowner with educational materials explaining why they might have had a high copper result.

We are working on designing the reconstruction projects for next year on Bliss Avenue, Maria Drive and Walter Street.

5. Sewage Treatment Operations Report - *Chris Lefebvre*

Chris stated the results on the final effluent discharge data for October for phosphorus

are accurate. The final ppm was 0.274. That is our limited detection and the lowest we can test for in the lab. We are at or below that limit.

The dryer is operational again and back to processing Class A biosolids again.

Chris stated all permit requirements were met for the month of October.

6. Construction and Maintenance Report - *Shane Kohnen*

Shane stated the construction crews are finishing up projects while the weather is still good. They just finished a large swale project on Pine Bluff. We are done with the dead-end water flushing. They are working on black top patching today. The Collections crew are working with the sewage treatment plant employees on cleaning lift stations and also still working on cutting, jetting and flushing.

7. A resolution and agreement related to membership in the Northcentral Wisconsin Stormwater Coalition - *Joel Lemke*

We are currently a member of the Northcentral Wisconsin Stormwater Coalition. They request that this gets action from our Commission every four years. There's a definite benefit to being members of the coalition. We use materials that are put together by the coalition for our annual MS4 Permit Report.

Motion made by Ray Schmidt, seconded by Anna Haines to reapprove membership with Northcentral Wisconsin Stormwater Coalition.

Ayes all. Nays none. Motion carried.

8. Possible modification to the water service area ordinance language - *Joel Lemke*

Joel stated anything outside the City of Stevens Point that has access to our municipal drinking water is listed in the ordinance. The Village of Park Ridge is looking to install more infrastructure. They recently got under contract with the City for fire protection. They'd like to install additional water mains for the purpose of fire protection. From an infrastructure perspective, it does not make sense to install that infrastructure and not make it available to the residents that are adjacent to it.

So we'd like to modify the water service area ordinance to state that any property in Park Ridge has access to our utilities.

Joel did not want action on this at this time but wanted to know the Commission's feelings on this matter. Paul stated he is not opposed to exploring this but doesn't feel the Commission can make a proper decision without seeing the modified ordinance. Joel will bring back the ordinance with proposed changes to the Commission for their review.

9. Directors Report - *Joel Lemke*

Nothing to report.

10.

Enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(e) for deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever

competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, relating to the following:

A. Discussion and possible action on acquisition of the property at 4213 Simonis Street (PID 281240834200101) and Parcel ID 281240834200104 for the purposes of construction of Well #12.

Motion made by Anna Haines, seconded by Ray Schmidt to adjourn into closed session at 12:33p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ray Schmidt, Anna Haines, and Paul Adamski

Nays: None

11. Reconvene for possible action on the above-referenced closed session item.

Motion made by Ray Schmidt, seconded by Anna Haines to reconvene into open session at 12:44p.m.

Ayes all. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Anna Haines, seconded by Ray Schmidt to allow Director Lemke to pursue acquisition of the two properties discussed within the maximum dollar amount/limit as discussed in the closed session.

Ayes all. Nays none. Motion carried.

12. Adjournment.

Motion made by Anna Haines to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes all. Nays none. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:48PM