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WATER BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
September 9, 2019
4:00 PM
Location: 1208 South 7th St.

1. Approve Agenda.
2. Approve minutes of the August 12, 2019 regular meeting.
3. Discussion and Consideration of pay application #5 for KLC construction
4. Approve invoices and Financial Statements.
5. Customer Forum.
6. Discussion and Consideration of 2019 Water system Improvement Reimbursement Agreement
7. General Manager's update.
8. Updates from members of the Board of Trustees
9. Reorganization of Board of Trustees
10. Adjourn.

Agenda Item #3

Pay application #5 from KLC has been turned in. This is for work on the CIP project on North L St and HWY 432. The total due this pay app is \$40,378.70.

Garden and Associates has reviewed the application and is presenting it to the Board for approval. It is staff recommendation to approve pay application #4 to KLC in the amount of \$40,378.70

Agenda Item #5

Chair – Please read this statement to the audience.

“This is the item reserved to receive comments from the community, our customers, for concerns whether or not they are included in the current agenda. The community is encouraged to come and speak before the Water Board of Trustees and asked to keep statements brief. Any questions are to be asked of the Water Department staff and Board of Trustee members prior to speaking to the full Board of Trustees so concerns may be properly researched and answered away from the meeting. Comments are to be directed to the Board of Trustees only. Time may be limited to 3 minutes.”

Agenda Item #6

This is the payment agreement between the City and OMWD for the MSO fire line/ 2019 Water System Improvements. We need to have a discussion whether we want to cash-flow our portion or borrow the money interest free from the City. If we borrow the funds from the City, we will need to show repayment on the CIP in years 3-5.

Agenda Item #7

General Managers Update

Sewer Operations:

August was a busy month for sewer operations. Sludge was hauled from the north Plant 8 times, and from Osky Food twice. Sewer staff assisted Water staff with a main break on C Ave East, televised sewer main for Josh’s construction as well as doing our own televising. The General Manager & Sewer Supervisor met with Fox Engineering representatives about Phase 1 rehabs and future Plant operations and design. Staff also caught up on pavement repairs in the City, and completed a sewer tap on 9TH Ave East.

Water Distribution Operations:

The North L watermain project is close to completion. The contractor is waiting on DOT approval for the bore across A avenue, all service connections have been completed on what has been installed, and grass seeding has begun.

Staff also located and facilitated repairs on service line leaks on 13TH Ave East, 8th Ave west, and D Ave West.

Water Plant Operations:

For much of August we had problems with alarms throughout the night for Clearwell high turbidity and residual chlorine content. After much investigation, Plant Operator Bitner, along with Supervisors VanWyk and Hacker, and GM Kelly Hefner surmised that over time recarb basin and filter levels had been altered to offset some other problem. What was thought to be a leak in the clearwell was actually an actuator line for a gate valve that runs off pump volumes. Supervisor Hacker reset basin levels to historical norms and the pump valving was shut off and operation has since returned to better than normal. Turbidities and chlorine residual have been at specs since.

We had a turbidity analyzer drop out at the first of the month, requiring us to only run one filter for 3 days until a replacement was sourced. This will not be a problem in the future, as the failing analyzer has been sent out for repair, and when back will be a backup for the other units. The plan going forward is to have all like analyzers, both chlorine and turbidity, so OMWD always has a backup unit. We are also standardizing our peristaltic pumps to be interchangeable throughout the plant.

Agenda Item #8

Reorganization of Board Members