

## SECRETARY'S MINUTES

NAME-----Lake Geneva Utility Commission  
MINUTES-----Regular Meeting  
PLACE-----Lake Geneva Utility Commission  
DATE-----July 16, 2015  
TIME-----4:00 P.M.

Regular monthly meeting of the Lake Geneva Utility Commission held at the Lake Geneva Utility Commission, 361 W. Main Street, Lake Geneva, WI.

Regular monthly meeting was called to order by Pres. Brellenthin at 4:00 P.M.

Members present: Pres. Brellenthin, Dennis Lyon, Ann Esarco, Mayor Connors, Ald. Jeff Wall & Ald. Rich Hedlund.

Motion by Ald. Hedlund to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented, seconded by Dennis Lyon. Passed 6-0.

### **Communications:**

None.

### **Water & Sewer Agenda Items:**

1. Rate Case Application, Pat Romanesko

Explanations – Increases in water rates were discussed with implementation over a two year period. Half of the increase would take place in 2016 would realize one half of increase, and the other half in 2017. Why now? ROR rate of return has been good. We haven't had an increase in 25 years because the utility has paid off debt – running a negative rate of return now, also lost interest income revenue, want to be proactive. We are the longest running state utility without a rate increase and also low rates compared to other state utilities. PSC provides suggestions on how to allocate a rate increase among user groups. Explanation of application in its draft form. Public Fire Protection service of \$230,000 currently is charged thru real estate taxes. Can be charged thru water bill (usage). Future rate increases of 3% per year for a three year period can be approved by the PSC on an abbreviated rate increase request. What percent do we want to increase? What water main loops/lines need to be replaced? Do we have the funds? Motion by Ann Esarco to increase water percent by 36% provided that any subsequent wastewater rates are not increased by more than 36% over the next two years, seconded by Burly. Director Winkler provided information on what half of a 30% increase to water meant (\$7/quarter for a typical residential water bill in 2016). The motion passed 5-1 with Ald. Wall voting no.

2. 2014 Audit – Final Approval

A motion was made by Dennis Lyon to approve the audit, seconded by Ald. Hedlund. Passed 6-0.

3. City Classification & Compensation Study Price From Springsted to Include Utility Commission Employees  
Motion by Burlly to pay \$3,425 towards compensation and classification study. Passed 5-1 with Ald. Wall voting no.
4. Replacement Vehicle with 2016 - Water  
Going with a 2015 model because of the pricing of the 2016 model. Better wheel base, higher roof clearance, better gas mileage and door configuration. Price is \$21,740.00 plus \$3,000.00 for the customization to be done by Northland Equipment. A motion was made by Ann Esarco to purchase the 2015 Ford Transit Connect from Lake Geneva Ford for \$21,740.00 plus \$3,000 customization form Northland Equipment for a total cost of \$24,740.00, seconded by Ald. Wall. Passed 6-0.
5. Roof Replacement, Wellhouses & Garage - Water  
A motion was made by Dennis Lyon to hire Roof Doctor for roof replacement on four buildings at a total cost of \$8,950, seconded by Ald. Hedlund. Passed 6-0.

**Director's Report:**

1. WWTF Candidate Selection  
Director Winkler reported the hire of Derek Furger.

2. Financials Update

<u>Water</u>		<u>Sewer</u>	
EOM Cash Position	\$ 1,169,000	EOM Cash Position	\$2,329,000
Project Commitments	\$ 32,000	Project Commitments	\$ 80,000
Upcoming Projects	\$ -TBD-	Upcoming Projects	\$ -TBD-

Motion by Dennis Lyon to approve the financials as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ald. Hedlund. Passed 6-0.

**Review and Payment of Bills:**

Motion by Mayor Connors to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Ald. Hedlund. Passed 6-0.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2015, at 4:00 P.M.

**Adjourn:**

Motion by Mayor Connors to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ald. Hedlund. Passed 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:36P.M.




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Secretary

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