

LINCOLN PIPESTONE RURAL WATER SYSTEM

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MEETING MINUTES January 28, 2008

The regular scheduled meeting of the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water (LPRW) System Board of Commissioners was held at the LPRW office in Lake Benton on Monday, January 28, 2008 starting at 10:00 a.m. Chairman called the meeting to order with Commissioners , , , Rod Spronk, Jerry Lonneman, Norris Peterson, Leonard Swenson, and Joe Weber present. Commissioners Ken Buysse and Henry Van Dyke were absent. Also present were Board Attorney, ; DGR engineers, and Al Nelson; and CEO, Dennis Healy.

Agenda: M/S/P Engels/Swenson to approve the Agenda as presented.

Minutes: M/S/P Spronk/Weber to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2007 Regular Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report: M/S/P Lonneman/Peterson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Bills: M/S/P Swenson/Engels to approve the following bills for payment:

- DeWild Grant Reckert and Associates Company: General Services #77 = \$4,746.92; South End Improvements – ppe #6 = \$5,621.00
- McDonald, Gudmestad & Schramel: General Legal Services = \$2,254.00
- Wenck Associates: North Adrian Topeka Shiner Permit #1680-04 = \$915.40
- Mark J. Traut Wells, Inc.: Production Well Contract – ppe #2 = \$11,844.12; Exploration & Additional Borings = \$640.00

Attorney's Report: presented a revised Water Users Agreement for Board approval. M/S/P Lonneman/Weber to approve the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water "Water Users Agreement" LPRW Form 2005-01 (v. January 2008), and to direct its use as of January 28, 2008. Schramel recommended that the CEO be authorized to sign documents that are primarily ministerial in nature on behalf of LPRW. M/S/P Lonneman/Engels to authorize the LPRW CEO to sign Water Users Agreements, land options, and easements on behalf of the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System. M/S/P Spronk/Swenson to accept the resignation of . CDL drivers license requirements, and an Adrian area land option were discussed.

Regional Water Development:

- **North Adrian:** Healy reported that the North Adrian wells were tested, and we will need more wells to get the water we had hoped for.
- **Osceola County RWS:** We will receive a proposal for water service before the next Board meeting.
- **Murray County:** We are working with the City of Slayton to determine the feasibility of a joint treatment project, but a pump test is needed to see if water is available to serve LPRW. The pump test will cost \$49-50,000. The Board decided to wait with the pump test until we can do more exploration at Adrian, and look at the OCRWS proposal. M/S/P Lonneman/Engels to authorize more exploratory work in the North Adrian area.

Engineer's Report: and Al Nelson discussed the following items:

- **Hydraulic Model Update:** Al Nelson reported that the Hydraulic Model Update has been completed, and he did a presentation showing how the Model works and how it can be used to evaluate the water system.
- **South End Improvements:** provided a progress report on various projects in the south part of the LPRW System.

Field Superintendents' Report: No report:

CEO's Report:

- The Lewis & Clark project is moving forward as more construction is completed, and state and federal finances are committed. The first Phase of the water treatment plant is being designed for bid this summer.
- There are no new hookup requests to consider.
- The Refunding Bond bids were rejected due to high interest rates. The bonds will be rebid later.
- The annual meeting with the DNR and other agencies has been scheduled for Thursday, February 14th.
- The annual MRWA Conference is in St. Cloud on March 4-6.
- Healy reported on a Pipestone County Planning & Zoning Commission meeting, and their proposal to allow more livestock operations in the Holland Wellfield area. Earl DeWilde and also attended the meeting. The Commission requested a recommendation from LPRW, and the Board stated a preference for no change in zoning or at least a very restrictive approach.

Chairman Bill Ufkin made the following appointments for 2008. M/S/P Spronk/Engels to concur with the Chairman's recommended appointments. The appointments are as follows:

Executive Committee: Per the approved "Committee Structure" the four Board officers are automatically appointed: (Chairman); Joe Weber (Vice-Chairman); (Secretary); and (Treasurer).

Personnel Committee: Secretary, , Chairman; ; and Ken Buysse.

Budget & Finance Committee: Treasurer, , Chairman; ; and .

Water Resources and Equipment Committee: Vice-Chairman, , Chairman; Norris Peterson, ; and .

Minnesota Rural Water Association, Board Representative: Leonard Swenson as the LPRW representative on the MRWA Board; and as the alternate representative.

Minnesota Governmental Agency Finance Group: Norris Peterson as the LPRW representative on the MGAFG Board.

Southwest/West Central Service Cooperative: as the LPRW representative on the SW/West Central Service Cooperative.

Lewis and Clark Rural Water Board: as the LPRW representative on the Lewis & Clark Rural Water System Board, and Jerry Lonneman as the alternate representative.

Lewis & Clark Minnesota Joint Powers Board: Jerry Lonneman as the LPRW representative on the Lewis & Clark Minnesota Joint Powers Board, and Henry Van Dyke as the alternate representative.

Committee Reports: The following committee reports were given:

Executive Committee: No report.

Water Resources and Equipment Committee: No report.

Personnel Committee: No report.

Budget & Finance Committee: No report.

Minnesota Rural Water Association, Board Representative: reported that the MRWA has added staff, and they are expanding their emergency operations support.

Minnesota Governmental Agency Finance Group, Board Representative: No report.

Other and reported on their meeting with Senator Klobuchar in Lake Benton. They had an opportunity to briefly discuss the Lewis & Clark RWS project and the need for more rural water funding.

Adjournment: M/S/P Lonneman/Swenson to adjourn the meeting at 3:30 p.m. The next Regular Board meeting will be Monday, February 25, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

, Secretary