

# **Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water**

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## **Meeting Minutes**

**February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

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, February 24, 2020, starting at 10:00 am. Chairman Mitch Kling called the meeting to order with Commissioners Glen Grant, Jerry Lonneman, Joe Weber, Jan Moen, Frank Engels, Bill Ufkin, Earl DeWilde, Randy Kraus, Brent Feikema present and Rod Spronk via FaceTime video conferencing. Also, present were Board Attorney Ron Schramel, DGR Engineer Darin Schriever, Kinner and Co. Nathan Kinner, Enterprise Technician Jodi Greer, Supervisor Tom Muller, Water Operator Keith Engelkes and General Manager Jason Overby.

**Agenda:** *M/S Ufkin/Engels to approve the agenda. Motion carried.*

**Minutes:** *M/S Engels/Feikema approve minutes from the January 2020 Board Meeting. Motion carried.*

**Engineer's Report:** Darin Schriever presented the Engineering Report for February.

- System-wide SCADA Upgrade

*M/S Lonneman/Moen to award the System-wide SCADA Integration bid by Thomson Electric in the amount of \$1,005,249.43, subject to RD concurrence. Motion carried.*

- Verdi Pump Station/GSR SCADA-AE2S

*M/S Feikema/DeWilde to approve PPE#2 with AE2S in the amount of \$1,318.37. Motion carried.*

- Verdi Pump Station and GSR-KHC

*M/S Weber/Lonneman to approve PPE #12 with KHC Construction in the amount of \$193,397.43. Motion carried.*

- CTMP

*M/S Spronk/Lonneman to approve 2020 CTMP work plan with DGR in the amount of \$52,100.00. Motion carried.*

**Operations Report:** February Operations Report was presented.

**Manager's Report:** February Manager's Report was presented.

**Attorney's Report:** Schramel reviewed the 2019 Assessment Report and Assessment Summary for the past seven years.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kinner presented the Treasurer's Report for February.

*M/S DeWilde/Kraus to approve the February Treasurer's Report, as presented. Motion carried.*

**Paid Bills:**

*M/S Lonneman/Feikema to approve payment on checks #5131 through #5254, excluding voided checks #5140 and #5142. Motion carried.*

**Pending Bills:**

- DeWild Grant Reckert and Associates Company:
  - General Services = \$2,345.00
  - 2016 Improvements-Pr2 #2 = \$38,019.40
  - North Area Water Source = \$795.00
  - Comprehensive Tank Maint. = \$210.00
- Schramel Law Office:
  - General Services = \$4,574.50
- Leonard Rice Engineers, Inc
  - North Source = \$4,299.75

*M/S Engels/Ufkin to approve paying pending bills, as presented. Motion carried.*

**Committee Reports:**

- **Executive Committee:** Nothing to report.
- **Personnel Committee:** Nothing to report.
- **Budget and Finance Committee:** Nothing to report.
- **Water Resources and Equipment Committee:** Nothing to report.
- **Joint Powers Board Representative:** Lonneman gave report from L&CRWS, including updated project map and Federal funding summary. Lonneman noted future "true-up" with L&CRWS for additional costs to LPRW.

**Other Business:**

- Resolution Regarding General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2020A of Nobles County.

***M/S Lonneman/Engels to approve the Resolution Regarding General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2020A of Nobles County. Motion carried.***

- Mowing Services Contract Bid (2020-21 seasons)

***M/S Feikema/Grant to approve a two-year mowing services contract with Michael Lovre. Motion carried.***

- Resolution concerning Tort Liability. Schramel noted concerns about language classifying governmental entities and LPRW's inclusion within that classification. Consideration should be given to have statute language change to include public water districts.

***M/S Ufkin/Moen to approve the Resolution Concerning Tort Liability. Motion carried.***

- Resolution extending Workers Compensation Coverage to LPRW Board of Commissioners.

***M/S Engels/Weber to approve Resolution Extending Workers' Compensation Coverage to the LPRW Board of Commissioners. Motion carried.***

**Public Comment:**

- Commissioner Engels noted Federal EQIP dollars that are available from NRCS to be utilized for drinking water protection.
- Lyon County Commissioner Rick Anderson noted that the Southwest Regional Development Commission has placed rural water projects on the lobbying initiatives for this years' state bonding session.

**Adjournment: *M/S Lonneman/DeWilde to adjourn board meeting at 12:10 pm.***

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Kraus, LPRW Board Secretary