



SOUTHWEST MISSOURI JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY COMMISSION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, May 15, 2018, 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
The "Casino" in Monett City Park, 101 S Lincoln Ave, Monett, MO 65708

Call to Order:

President Roddy Rogers called the meeting to order. The following directors and/or alternates were present:

Roddy Rogers – City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri
David Hertzberg – City of Joplin, Missouri
Chuck Bryant - Carthage Water & Electric, Carthage, Missouri
Skip Schaller – City of Monett, Missouri
Mike Ray – City of Branson, Missouri
Milton Dickensheet – City of Nixa, Missouri

The following directors were absent:

Carl Francis – City of Webb City, Missouri
Lynn Calton – City of Lamar, Missouri (Lynn has retired and the City has yet to designate a new Director and Alternate)
Joe Kelley – City of Mt. Vernon, Missouri

Additional attendees:

Loretta Bishop – City of Branson, Missouri
Phil Walsack – Burns and McDonnell
Andrea Collier – Barr Engineering
Matt Barnhart – Missouri American Water

Staff

Gail Melgren – S.W. MO Joint Municipal Water Utility Commission

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Rogers asked for any corrections or additions to the minutes from the June 8, 2016, meeting and none were received. He asked for a motion to accept the minutes as written.

Milton Dickensheet moved, seconded by Chuck Bryant, that the minutes from June 8, 2016, be approved. The motion carried, with all voting "aye".

Chairman Report

Mr. Rogers noted that the SW MO Water Commission board has not been meeting as there has been no business to discuss until a project is closer to reality. He noted that Tri-State Water Coalition, the legally separate but “sister” organization to the Commission, has 17 members, and is working toward securing additional water supply for the region – likely through a reallocation by the Corps of Engineers of water supply storage at Stockton Lake (and later possibly Pomme de Terre Lake and Table Rock Lake). He said that the Commission, with 8 (and after today, 9) members, is tasked with the development and building of the infrastructure to deliver that new water supply to regional communities.

Mr. Rogers reminded attendees of current members: Carthage Water & Electric, Joplin, Lamar, Monett, Nixa, Webb City, Mt. Vernon, City Utilities of Springfield, and Branson (approved later in agenda).

Mr. Rogers reminded attendees that a quorum is defined in the Joint Contract as a majority of members, and a majority of a quorum may conduct business for the SW MO Regional Water Commission.

Mr. Rogers reminded the board of current officers: President, Roddy Rogers, City Utilities of Springfield; Vice President, Nick Heatherly, City of Joplin; Treasurer, Milton Dickensheet, City of Nixa; Secretary, Chuck Bryant, Carthage Water and Electric. Because Nick Heatherly has retired and David Hertzberg has replaced him as the Designee for the City of Joplin, Mr. Rogers called for a motion to replace Mr. Heatherly with Mr. Hertzberg as Vice President of the Commission.

Chuck Bryant moved, seconded by Milton Dickensheet, that David Hertzberg replace Nick Heatherly as Vice President of the Commission. The motion carried, with all voting “aye”.

Committee Reports:

Financial:

Milton Dickensheet reminded the board that at the November 18, 2015, board meeting the board agreed to assess \$500 dues from each of the members to cover minimal administrative expenses when needed. Those funds have been deposited but barely spent, as the Commission has been dormant with no business to attend to until closer to a project.

Mr. Dickensheet reported that a small business account is established at Central Bank of the Ozarks for the Commission. Of revenues collected, only two expenses have been incurred – to pay for checks and to pay for a board meeting lunch. The balance as of May 1, 2018, was \$3,822.94.

Mr. Dickensheet reported that the signature card signors need to change – Mr. Hertzberg should be added and Mr. Heatherly should be removed.

Skip Schaller moved, seconded by Chuck Bryant, that David Hertzberg be added to the Central Bank of the Ozarks signature card for the Commission, and that Nick Heatherly be removed. The motion carried, with all voting “aye”.

Mr. Dickensheet noted that BKD is currently the accounting firm for the Commission.

Presentations:

There were no presentations.

Executive Director Report:

Ms. Melgren reported that Lynn Calton, City of Lamar, has retired and a new designee has yet to be assigned. Ms. Melgren noted she has spoken to the Mayor of Lamar about the Commission and that he said they have hired a new city administrator and want to give that new hire several weeks to settle in before engaging with the Commission about future representation for Lamar.

Ms. Melgren reported that Webb City is unsure at this time about their continued involvement in the Commission.

Ms. Melgren noted that minutes from previous meetings are available on the Commission web site: <http://swmojmuc.org/>.

Ms. Melgren reported that she sent each member of the Commission their original ordinance/resolution designating a Director and an Alternate to the Commission, along with a blank template which can be used to revise the Director and Alternate. She noted that several members need to update their Director and/or Alternate. She said she will follow-up after the meeting to facilitate those updates.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Mr. Rogers called attention to a new logo in board member's packets and asked for a motion to approve.

Skip Schaller moved, seconded by Milton Dickensheet, that the proposed logo be adopted by the Commission. The motion carried, with all voting "aye".

Mr. Rogers reported that the City of Branson has signed a Joint Contract and passed an ordinance to designate a Director and Alternate so that they may join the Commission. Mr. Rogers noted that new members may be approved by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the board present and voting at any regular meeting. He called for a vote to add Branson as a member of the Commission.

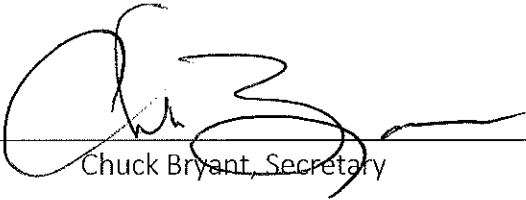
David Hertzberg moved, seconded by Chuck Bryant, that the City of Branson be added as a member of the SW MO Joint Municipal Water Commission. The motion passed, with all voting "aye".

Mr. Rogers asked for comments about when to meet again. The board agreed to meet again November 21, 2018, at 8:30 a.m., just prior to the Tri-State Water Coalition meeting at 9:00 a.m. that same day.

Adjournment:

Mr. Rogers asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

David Hertzberg moved, seconded by Mike Ray, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried, with all voting "aye".



Chuck Bryant, Secretary