

**MIDWAY SEWER DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
JULY 12, 2006**

Commissioners Hendrickson, Landon and Koester were present. Also present: Mr. Crahan, Mr. Griffith, Ms. Ford, Mr. Snure, Mr. Grodt, and Mr. Kase.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 9:00 a.m.

M/S/C approving the minutes of the Meeting of June 28, 2006.

**VOUCHERS:**

M/S/C approving Maintenance vouchers #0260584 through #0260634 in the amount of \$112,274.49, including special vouchers #0260584 through #0260591 in the amount of \$18,911.48. Capital Improvement voucher #0260026 in the amount of \$35,947.20. Board approval of payment of \$48,901.94 for 28 employees for direct deposit of the July payroll. Board approval of automatic payments made in June in the amount of \$47,188.00 for taxes and State Retirement contributions.

**ADDITIONS:**

M/S/C approving additions to accounts receivable as presented.

**ADJUSTMENTS:**

M/S/C approving adjustments to accounts receivable as presented.

**ACCEPT SWP 2006-B COMPLETE / RESOLUTION 2006-12:**

The Manager presented Resolution 2006-12, which provides for acceptance as complete for SWP 2006-B. The small works project was for the repair of a broken sewer stub owned by the District serving the residence located at 1226 S. 259<sup>th</sup> Place.

M/S/C approving Resolution 2006-12 as presented.

**OPTIONS FOR INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE DISTRICT BEING CONSIDERED:**

The Manager reported that there are alternative internet service providers available to the District that can provide superior service for the same or less cost than the current providers. He prefers the service offered by Comcast and it is available at both the plant and office locations. The plant location requires the installation of about 900 lineal feet of 2" conduit. District crews will install the conduit and also a spare conduit for future use. Comcast will install their cable once the conduit installation is complete.

M/S/C approving the selection of Comcast as the internet service provider for the District and the installation of any necessary improvements needed for their service.

**CONTRIBUTION TO CONSULTANT FEES FOR WORK RELATED TO GMPC,  
RWQC, MWPAAC:**

The Manager reported that he has received a letter from the Manager of Cedar River Water and Sewer District (CRWS) requesting financial assistance for the consultant that provides assistance to the District representative on the Growth Management Planning Council, Regional Water Quality Committee, and the Metropolitan Water Pollution Control Advisory Committee. The annual budget for the scope of services for this consultant is \$18,900. CRWS has committed to pay \$2,500 of the anticipated cost of these services. They are asking the other water and sewer districts in King County to pay the remainder of the anticipated costs.

M/S/C authorizing the payment of \$500.00 for the staffing of a consultant to assist the King County Special Purpose Districts representative to the Growth Management Planning Council, Regional Water Quality Committee, and the Metropolitan Water Pollution Control Advisory Committee.

**BID RESULTS FOR THE OFFICE BUILDING EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS:**

The Manager reported that no bids were received for the office building exterior improvement contract. He attempted to contact the 8 contractors who were sent contract specifications and drawings to find out why they did not make a proposal. To date he was only able to contact 4 of the 8 contractors. Of this group of 4 contractors, 3 stated that they can not afford to purchase insurance to work on dryvit EIFS, which our building has. The other contractor said that he had been on vacation and had not seen the contract documents and he does not know where they are. He has contacted a contractor that has indicated that their company will work on dryvit EIFS surfaces. He expects to get a proposal from this contractor by next week. Another option available would be to waive the insurance requirements for work on dryvit EIFS surfaces and rebid the project.

The Board decided to table action on this matter until the next meeting.

**OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Mrs. Ford said she had nothing to report.

**COLLECTION SYSTEM SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Crahan reported on the following:

Station Activities:

1. Replaces sump pumps at Interceptor Station and Saltwater Park
2. Reinforced stairs leading to Zenith 1 Station

Sewer Activities

1. Continuing with tap cutting activity.
2. Replaced a retaining wall at the plant digester building.

**TREATMENT PLANT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Griffith reported on the following:

1. Speedy Glass has completed installing 3 windows with vinyl frames in the Headworks building and have replaced just the glass in the window in my office.
2. During the warm days of summer our Effluent pH dips down to our lower limit of 6.0 with 7.0 being neutral and above 7.0 being alkaline. So far we have been able to control the pH with treatment strategies but someday we may have to add a chemical feeder.
3. Jim Rice injured himself at work on Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. He was opening a valve on the aeration basin and fell backwards. To arrest his fall he hooked his foot under something which resulted in a grade III sprain of his ankle. This has brought up the issue of better communications at the plant.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Mr. Grodt reported on the following:

1. Outfall Permits and Easements – The Dept. of Ecology has notified the District that an individual water quality certification is not required under the Nation-Wide Permit.  
  
Expect to receive a draft easement from the Department of Natural Resources by the end of this week.
2. Sediment Sampling – The sediment sampling has been completed and the samples have been sent to the lab for analysis.
3. The eelgrass preconstruction survey has been completed.
4. Outfall Design – The outfall was advertised for bid starting July 7 and will be advertised each Friday until August 4, 2006. So far there is considerable contractor interest.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Mr. Snure reported on the following:

1. There are 4 customers in bankruptcy.
2. There is 1 active foreclosure sale set for August 11, 2006.
3. There are 3 pending foreclosures.

**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Hendrickson indicated that he has noticed a strong sewer smell in Des Moines near Marine View Drive. He does not necessarily accept the Manager's response that the smell is rotting seaweed from the nearby beach. He suggested that the District crews more carefully examine the District facilities in Des Moines to see if they can detect the true source of the problem. He also wants the District to put a sign on the treatment plant fence identifying the property as belonging to the District and providing an emergency phone number for people to call.

The next meeting will be July 26, 2006, at the District office at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

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KEN J. KASE

ATTEST:

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JACK W. HENDRICKSON - SECRETARY