HIAWATHA WATER BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chairperson Robert Hembera in Council Chambers. Members present were Troy Andersen, Gary Casady, Beverly Daws and Patrick White. Also present was Water Superintendent Carl Ransford, Assistant Water Superintendent Marty Recker, Engineer Loren Leach and Water Clerk II Sara Ries. Roll was called.

Patrick White moved the approval of the agenda. Gary Casady seconded. Motion Carried.

Beverly Daws moved the approval of the consent agenda: July 2016 regular meeting minutes, financial report, and bills. Gary Casady seconded. Motion Carried.

BUSINESS:
Consider Resolution Authorizing Engineer to apply for the CDBG Grant for Water Main Replacement on 1st Ave., 7th Ave., Pirie Dr., Tucker St. and Robins Rd.

The board held a brief discussion about the cost of the project and the CDBG Grant. Ransford explained that this grant will match funds. The project should run about $600,000 and the Water Department would be responsible for 50% of the total cost. Engineering costs will also be covered by the CDBG grant. One stipulation of the grant is that an Engineering Company must be chosen based on qualifications and not on dollar amount. Board members Gary Casady and Patrick White looked over all Engineering proposals prior to the meeting and found that Veenstra & Kimm, LLC to be the best qualified for the project. V&K will now begin the engineering work for the Water Main Replacement Project. Once the Water Department approves their proposal V&K can move forward with applying for the CDBG Grant.

Gary Casady made a motion to approve Resolution 15-16 Authorizing Veenstra & Kimm, LLC to begin the Engineering work in order to apply for a CDBG Grant for a Water Main Replacement Project on 1st Ave., 7th Ave., Pirie Dr., Tucker St. and Robins Rd. Patrick White seconded motion. Motion carried.

Roll call vote:
AYES: Beverly Daws, Troy Andersen, Gary Casady, Robert Hembera, Patrick White
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
Resolution 15-16 Approved

Superintendent's Report
Carl Ransford began his last Superintendent's report by thanking the Water Board. This was Carl's last day with the Water Department and is retiring from the City of Hiawatha after 40 years of service. He then turned the report over to Marty Recker, the new Water Superintendent.

Recker informed the Water Board of a water main break on August 9th. MJ Electrical was boring in new electrical conduit on A Ave. and E. Clark St. when they bored thru our 8" water main on E. Clark St. Ricklefs Excavating repaired the broken pipe. The water main had been located so the responsibility falls on MJ Electrical's.

The water tower on Robins Rd. has been power washed. In the process of cleaning the bowl, paint chips were flaking off due to the high pressure. The paint chips landed on area houses and vehicles. The cleaning crew was made aware of the problem and they took care of each resident affected by the falling paint chips. The bowl will now need to be repainted. This fall we are scheduled for routine maintenance and inspection by Utility Services. They will have the bowl repainted at that time so we don't have to drain the tower 2 times.

The hydraulic valve exerciser has been received from E.H. Wachs. We are now waiting to receive the new truck. The truck has been built and is waiting on safety inspections. Once that is complete the truck will be sent to get the new box.

With LOST funds, the Fire Department and Water Department were able to purchase 230 Storz fitting to be installed on the remaining fire hydrants throughout the City. These fittings are adaptors placed on the steamer nozzle on the hydrant for quicker connection time for the Fire Department.

Patrick White moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm. Troy Andersen seconded. Motion carried.

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Chairperson, Robert Hembera

ATTEST:

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Sara Ries, Water Clerk II