

Date: August 17, 2018  
To: Common Council  
From: Alderman Thieme  
Re: August 16<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting Summary

- A purchase order in the amount of \$50,000 was approved for PSC and DNR construction authorization and permitting review services. Additional monies were due partly to under budgeting and partly to timing of invoices.
- \$150,000 was approved for transfer from other accounts to cover street opening permits and fees for 2018. The DPW has modified its protocol for patching of streets so as to 'not compromise the integrity of the right of way', by requiring larger patches than budgeted for.
- Annual write-off's in the amount of \$5,215.54 for bankruptcy water charges, and \$1,763.79 in miscellaneous invoices greater than 18 months old were approved.
- The Commission recommended approval of a Relocation Order Resolution and a Resolution of Public Necessity for the Waukesha Water Utility new pumping station. These resolutions allow us to move forward with the permitting process necessary to obtain the new water supply.
- Great Lakes Update: Commissioners were provided a demonstration of the pipe loop apparatus constructed by staff. The apparatus will allow us to test the conditions in our distribution system when we transition to a Great Lakes water supply. Due to the different water chemistry between groundwater and Great Lakes water, we are completing this testing to ensure there will be a smooth transition to the new supply. The apparatus will be moved to the City of Milwaukee in early September.

Staff submitted the application for WIFIA (Water Infrastructure Financing and Innovation Act). This is a competitive loan for utilities throughout the country. There were a total of 62 applications that requested \$9.1 Billion in funding. There is \$5.5 Billion available. We will find out by November if our application was successful. Thank you to Senators Johnson and Baldwin, Representative Sensenbrenner, State Senator Kapenga, State Representatives Allen and Neylon, County Executive Farrow, County Supervisors Crowley, Nelson and Paulson as well as the Waukesha County Business Alliance and the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce for their letters of support of this effort.

The next commission meeting is scheduled for September 20<sup>th</sup>.

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