

Date: June 26, 2019
To: Common Council
From: Alderman Bartels
Re: June 20th Commission Meeting Summary

- An emergency declaration was approved to authorize the General Manager to proceed with necessary repairs to Well #6 (Sunset), which failed on May 22nd. The cause is being investigated and we anticipate the well being up and running in September.
- The Utility reviewed proposals received for property and liability coverages for their policy year beginning 7/1/2019. The Commission approved renewing policies with LWMMI and MPIC for the new contract year.
- The Commission authorized staff to secure the services of Standard and Poor's Financial Services LLC to receive a bond rating, which will satisfy requirements of current outstanding debt, and to receive a preliminary rating letter (i.e. indicative rating) that will be used in the application process for Water Infrastructure Financing and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loans. The cost of the service is \$30,000.
- The Commission approved the submittal of an application to the Wisconsin PSC to request a water rate increase. The precise amount of the increase will be determined by the PSC, after an in-depth review of our financials. We would anticipate the increase to be effective January 1, 2020. The increase will be consistent with the financial plan and will meet the goal to have an overall increase to water and sewer bills under 15% for 2020.
- Approved:
 - a. Change order to Greenmeadow Sewer Interceptor Project: \$42,137.51 to Super Excavators for additional work required on the water main portion;
 - b. Living Word Church Developers Agreement and Water Main Easement;
 - c. Clearwater Apartments Phase 2 Developers Agreement and Water Main Extension and Easement
- Great Lakes Update: The PSC formally issued a notice for construction authorization on June 12th. Parties have a 2-week window to intervene and participate in the process. It is anticipated that Clean Wisconsin, Citizens Utility Board (CUB) and Milwaukee wholesale customers to request to intervene. All permit information is in to the DNR and we anticipate draft permits to be issued shortly. A Public Information hearing was held in New Berlin regarding the location of the Reservoirs and Booster Pump Station. The New Berlin plan commission will begin the approval process with a public hearing on June 27 for the rezoning of the property. The project team continues to work with the City of New Berlin to address any issues that have been raised.

The next commission meeting is scheduled for July 18th at 6 PM.