



CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION

**Altoona Fire Station
950 Venbury Dr
Altoona, Iowa
Tuesday, April 25, 2006 at 6:00 PM**

1. Chair Items -

Jim Wallace called the meeting of the Central Iowa Drinking Water Commission to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed all in attendance. All participants introduced themselves. Present were:

City of Altoona – Vern Willey (EX-O), Karen Nachtman (Alt EX-O)

City of Ankeny – Jolee Belzung (EX-O), Tom Strait (Rep)

City of Clive – Bart Weller (EX-O), Scott Cirksena (Rep)

City of Pleasant Hill – Tom England (Rep)

City of Waukee – Don Bailey (Rep)

City of Windsor Heights – Louise Moon (Rep)

Des Moines Water Works – L.D. McMullen (EX-O), Jenny Puffer (Staff), Bob Riley (Board Member), Dave Carlson (Board Member), Randy Beavers (Alt EX-O)

Polk County – E. J. Giovannetti (Rep), Brent Bean (Alt EX-O)

Urbandale Water Department – Rich Foust (EX-O), Dale Acheson (Alt-EX-O)

West Des Moines Water Works – Jim Wallace (Rep)

Approval of January 27, 2006 Minutes

Motion made by Scott Cirksena to approve minutes, seconded by Louise Moon, motion carried.

Appointment of Vice Chair

Motion made by Don Bailey and seconded by E.J. Giovannetti to appoint Scott Cirksena as Vice Chair of the CIRDC, motion carried.

2. Disinfection By Product (Stage 2 DBP) Rule-

Although the agenda referred to discussion of the LT2 rule, it was clarified during the meeting that the intent was to discuss the Stage 2 DBP Rule. Jim Wallace and L.D. McMullen reported to the Commission on the status of the Stage 2 Rule as it applies to the Commission.

- Everyone has to have their plan together by October 1st and at this time there are conflicting reports as to what needs to be done.
- One large plan with separate chapters for each system will not work.
- Each entity will be doing their own report, but consolidating water systems together might work---related to the way water is treated.
- There are 30 or more systems in Central Iowa.
- There will be efforts to get everyone together to explore the options.
- The EPA from Kansas City or DNR may set out guidelines.
- Rich Foust pointed out that the DNR on May 12th would be putting on a training session at the Learning Center in West Des Moines, 9A.M. to 12P.M.

3. ASR and Saylorville Water Treatment Plant Updates -

- L.D. McMullen reported to the Commission that that ASR well at the Louise Moon Pumping Facility may be picking up bacteria from the Jordan Aquifer. Efforts are continuing to correct the situation and hopefully the well will be filled up by summer.
- Jenny Puffer gave the report for the Saylorville project.
 - Timeline:
 - June through August 2006: Grading Work
 - August through October 2006: Concrete Work
 - October through December 2006: Construct Building
 - January through May 2006: Install Equipment
 - June 2007: Completion
- L. D. McMullen reported that for those entities who participated, Speer Financial is putting together a bond repayment schedule. Everyone is on an even repayment except Waukee.
- There will likely be 7 new wells over the next ten years, resulting in 10 ASR wells total.

4. Utility Related Legislative Issues

No report

Open discussion -

L.D. McMullen discussed a development from the National Academy of Science. There is a report coming related to water distribution systems. The EPA may be passing a distribution rule related to stagnant water and cross connection control. It may also include better regulations for repair and maintenance of systems, operator certification for maintenance or repairs, and premise plumbing issues.

Scott Cirksena asked whether exploring a regional water system versus the current Des Moines Water Works model would best serve the members of the Commission. L.D. McMullen reported that there has been a study of 5 different models that are currently in

operation and group discussion focused on how greater understanding of these models by the Commission would be appropriate and would lead to future discussions and analysis by members of the Commission.

Adjournment -

Chairman Jim Wallace adjourned the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Future Meetings -

July 25, 2006 – City of Clive

October 24, 2006 – Des Moines Water Works