



## CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION

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**January 25 2005 at 6:00 PM**

John McCune called the meeting of the Central Iowa Regional Drinking Water Commission to order and welcomed all in attendance. All participants introduced themselves. Present were:

City of Altoona – Vern Willey (EX-O)

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

City of Bondurant – Al Ihde (Rep)

City of Carlisle – Pat Stump (Rep)

City of Clive – Bart Weller (EX-O),

City of Norwalk – Dean Yordi (EX-O)

City of Waukee – John Gibson (EX-O), Don Bailey (Rep)

City of Windsor Heights – Louise Moon (Rep)

Des Moines Water Works – L.D. McMullen (EX-O), R.G. Riley Jr. (Board), Larry James (Rep), Jenny Puffer (staff), Randy Beavers (Alt EX-O), Sue Ryan (Alt Rep)

Polk County – Brent Bean (Alt EX-O), Jim Elza (EX-O)

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

West Des Moines Water Works – Jim Wallace (Rep), Jerry Stevens (EX-O)

**Approval of October Minutes -** by Larry James (DMWW) second by Louise Moon (Windsor Heights) motion carried.

**Membership Data:** All organizations please review list and make any corrections, plus add any new names.

**Nominating Committee Report:** John McCune gave report on Nominating Committee:

Jim Wallace – President (West Des Moines)  
Al Ihde – Vice President (Bondurant)  
Don Bailey – Secretary (Waukee)

Motion by John McCune to approve nominating committee, second by Larry James, Motion carried.

**Treatment Plant Report:** Jenny Puffer reported on the status of the new treatment plant:

1. Bids have been received on the membrane system. (3 vendors)
2. February 2<sup>nd</sup> vendors will present proposals.
3. 2 or 3 months before selection is made.
4. Pump stations are being reviewed.
5. Feeder Mains are being reviewed.
6. Environment assessment was required by Corp of Engineers.
7. Timeline:
  - a. Late 2006 production.

Purchase Capacity Rate being worked on by Randy Beavers.

1. New Document to cover rates available within the next 2 weeks.

**SE Polk Rural Water:** L.D. McMullen reported on the status of DMWW currently managing the system. DMWW and Polk County are working on a joint plan to operate the system.

Possible changes:

1. Joint Project (SE POLK, DMWW, Polk County)
2. Reduction in rates by 50 %.
3. Review current water flows including pipe sizes, and direction of flow.
4. Polk County Participation:
  - a. Assist in Refinancing Bonds
  - b. Legislative change required to handle refinancing.

**Public Policy – Sub Team:** Louise Moon reported on the current status.

1. Legislative Communications
  - a. Water Utility Day (March 9, 2005) at Capital
2. Public Meeting
  - a. Cancelled – No one was available to attend.
  - b. No Legislator commented to attend.
  - c. Issues.
    - i. Tax on water
    - ii. Rural Water 357A Modification
3. Provide information to Council Round Table and MAC groups.

L.D. McMullen reported on DMWW status and various new water quality issues that arise and how these issues will be handled at DMWW.

**Future Meetings:**

April 26, 2005 – Urbandale  
July 26, 2005 – West Des Moines  
October 25, 2005 – Norwalk

**Adjournment** – Louise Moon (Windsor Heights) motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM, second by Larry James (DMWW), motion carried.