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CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION

**Des Moines Water Works
January 27, 2004 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), Chuck Franklin (Rep)

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

City of Bondurant – Al Ihde (Rep)

City of Carlisle – Pat Stump (Rep) Bob Stump (Citizen)

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

City of Panora – Steve Baker (Rep), Brent Christofferson

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), Larry James (Rep), Jenny Puffer (staff), Randy Beavers (Staff)

Polk County – Brent Bean

SE Polk Rural Water – Dan Lundberg (Rep)

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

West Des Moines Water Works – Jim Wallace (Rep), Larry Anderson (EX-O)

Approval of October 28, 2003 Minutes – Motion by Dan Lundberg from SE Polk to approve minutes, second by Chuck Franklin from Altoona, motion carried.

Election of Officers 2004 – John McCune reported on recommendation from the executive committee:

Chairperson – John McCune
Vice Chairperson – Jim Wallace
Sec/Treasurer – Al Ihde

Chairperson John McCune opened nominations from the floor, hearing none, Chuck Franklin from Altoona made motion to approve recommendation from executive committee, second by Don Bailey from Waukee, motion carried.

Chairperson John McCune asked members to update their membership list and submit at next meeting.

Chairperson John McCune discussed the recommendation to appoint a new chairperson for Public Policy Subcommittee due to Al Ihde being elected as Sec/Treasurer. Louise Moon from Windsor Heights will Chair subcommittee with Sue Cosner from Panora as assistant.

Regional Planning Sub-team Report – L.D. McMullen from DMWW reported on the status of new treatment plant. Location has been selected, site will be 29 acre plat of land at NW 66 Ave & NW 26th street.

Jenny Puffer reported on the Membrane Pilot Testing. The pilots continue to produce more water than originally anticipated.

Randy Beavers presented a map of Polk County which indicated existing trunk lines and storage facilities throughout the county. Target for final Billing Flow procedure by the middle of March for all Cities and Water Boards to review.

Westside Infrastructure Sub-team Report – Larry Anderson reported on the status of Water Tank. Foundation has been completed. Completion of tank projected summer of 2005.

Public Policy Sub-team Report – Al Ihde asked L.D McMullen to report on Water Summit, also a document from Governor Vilsack on Legislative Water Summit recommendations. DNR proposed Legislation on Water Quality Protection Fund – Fee Cap Elimination:

“The purpose of this legislation is to amend Iowa Code Section 455B.183A to eliminate the \$350,000 cap on fees assessed public water systems (PWS), allowing the department to increase fees to fully fund the public water supply program. It also eliminates the statutorily fixed \$25 fee for non-community, transient PWSs, allowing

the department to set the fees to equitably reflect the cost of running the program for these small PWSs. Finally, it will eliminate the public water system technical assistance account within the water quality protection fund and the requirement that 50% of the collected fees be placed in this account, thereby allowing the department to determine on a year to year basis the level of funds needed to provide technical assistance.”

Future Meetings

April 27, 2004 – Clive
July 27, 2004 – Waukee
October 26, 2004 – Botanical Center
January 25, 2005 – Ankeny
April 26, 2005 – Urbandale

Adjournment – Larry Anderson from WDM motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM, second by Richard Foust from Urbandale Water, motion carried.