



CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION

**Clive Public Works
9289 Swanson Blvd
Clive, IA
Tuesday, July 25, 2006
6:00 p.m.**

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 – Skip Conkling (Alt Rep), Karen Oppelt (Alt EX-O)

City of Ankeny – Tom Strait (Rep), Jim McKenna (Staff)

City of Clive – Scott Cirksena (Rep)

City of Pleasant Hill – Tom England (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), Amy Kahler (Staff)

New Virginia – Norville Huston (Rep)

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), Jerry Stevens (EX-O)

Approval of April 25, 2006 Minutes

Motion made by Scott Cirksena to approve minutes, seconded by Brent Bean. Motion carried.

2. Future CIRDWC Agenda & Minutes

Due to recent state legislation, the Commission may be required to post and/or publish an agenda prior to the meeting, and publish minutes subsequent to the meeting.

There was much discussion on the legal requirements and how the Commission would fund such publications. Until further research could be completed, it was decided that the host facility would post the agenda prior to future meetings. In addition, Skip Conkling offered to ask Altoona's City Attorney to give an opinion on the scope and requirements of the legislation, and E.J. Giovannetti and Brent Bean offered to seek the County Attorney's input. This topic will be further discussed at the next meeting.

3. Stage 2 Disinfection By-Product Rule (Stage 2 DBP Rule) Update –

L.D. McMullen reported that, based on recent meetings with the DNR, the Stage 2 Rule does not appear to be as significant an issue as originally thought. Most communities do not anticipate it being difficult to meet the new requirements.

4. ASR and Saylorville Water Treatment Plant Updates -

Jenny Puffer gave an update on construction of the Saylorville Water Treatment Plant:

- Current: Grading Work
- August through October 2007: Concrete Work
- August through February 2007: Membrane equipment manufactured
- October through December 2007: Construct pre-engineered metal building
- January through May 2007: Install Equipment
- June 2007: Completion

Necessary easements have been acquired, and the feeder main work is scheduled to begin in the fall. In addition, there will be two radial collector wells along the river on Corp land. Efforts related to completing the necessary paperwork and permits are underway.

L.D. McMullen reported to the Commission that something appears to be plugging the well screen at the Louise P. Moon ASR well. DMWW is working to resolve. In addition, drilling for the ASR well at Maffitt is scheduled to begin within a week.

Related to ASR wells, Jim McKenna reported that an ongoing voltage issue with MidAmerican Energy was causing problems with Ankeny's ASR well.

5. Possible Coordination of New Water Towers

With several towers going up in the next couple of years, there was group discussion about the possibility of coordinating the construction of new water towers in an effort to save money on mobilization costs. It was agreed there are several challenges to such coordination, including requirements for separate bid processes and the timing of bids; however, to the extent possible, regional cooperation is encouraged.

6. Water System Regionalization Models

A summary of recent research on several regionalization models was distributed by L.D. McMullen. L.D. reviewed the alternatives and gave background information on each model. It was agreed that Commission members would further review the information and discuss at the next meeting.

Open discussion -

There was group discussion on the possibility of coordinating water conservation requests among members. Currently, most members are promoting the wise use of water, rather than calling for water conservation. It was determined that a future policy among members could be considered.

Des Moines Water Works will host a tour of their Fleur Drive Treatment Plant on September 14. All Commission members, Council members, Board members, and Supervisors are encouraged to attend. Additional information will be sent.

Adjournment –

Motion made by Brent Bean to adjourn meeting, seconded by Scott Cirksena. Motion carried. Chairman Jim Wallace adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Future Meetings -

October 24, 2006 – Des Moines Water Works