



CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION

**Waukee Library
July 27, 2004 at 6:00 PM**

Jim Wallace 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)

City of Bondurant – Al Ihde (Rep)

City of Carlisle – Pat Stump (Rep)

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

City of Johnston – Aaron Schmidt (Rep)

City of Pleasant Hill – Tom England (Rep)

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), Jenny Puffer (staff)

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

SE Polk Rural Water – Dan Lundberg (Rep), Shirley Bos (EX-O)

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

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

Approval of April 27, 2004 Minutes – Motion by Bart Weller (Clive) to approve minutes, second by Pat Stump (Carlisle), motion carried.

Regional Planning Sub-Team Report - Jenny Puffer reported on status of new treatment plant. The following items were discussed:

1. Well research
2. Plant scheduled to be online by 2006.
3. Environment Assessment unknown at this time.
4. Water quality testing in process.
5. Design of Plant has been started.
6. Design to be completed by spring of 2005.

L. D. McMullen reported on the communities that have indicated they will purchase capacity in the new plant:

1. Cummings
2. Ankeny
3. Altoona

Any other communities that have any interest of purchasing capacity should send letters of intent to DMWW by August 31, 2004.

Funding for new treatment plant was discussed:

1. Bonding
2. Iowa Finance Authority – SRF

Need to determine the best finance option very soon.

There is a possibility DMWW Board will be increasing rates in the near future. Any rate increase may affect the cost of purchase capacity.

Westside Infrastructure Sub-Team Report – Larry Anderson reported on Water Tower status:

1. Tank construction still in progress with completion by spring 2005.
2. July 2005 total completion.
3. Pipeline from tower scheduled to complete this fall.
4. This Cooperative project will continue to be promoted, with more press coverage when it gets close to completion.

Public Policy Sub-Team Report – Lousie Moon reported on a plan for public awareness:

1. A list of issues will be discussed with state and national legislative members.
2. Will only cover water issue pertaining to central Iowa.
3. Security issues need to be covered.
4. Training
5. Sub committee will be meeting next month, if anyone has additional ideas, please contact Louise.
6. Sales Tax paid to state should be reviewed as how these funds are used.
7. Louise asked if all water providers would send her the amount of Sales Tax they collected for year 2003.
8. Members of Committee;
 - a. Lousie Moon
 - b. Bart Weller
 - c. Al Ihde
 - d. Mary Burton

- e. Linda Kinman
- f. Sue Cosner

Future Meetings

October 26, 2004 – Botanical Center

January 25, 2005 – Ankeny

April 20, 2005 – Urbandale

Adjournment – Scott Cirksena (Clive) motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM, second by Don Bailey (Waukee), motion carried.