



CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION

**Botanical Center
October 26, 2004 at 6:00 PM**

Chairman, 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:

Urbandale Water Department – John McCune (Rep), Gerald Nelson (Alt Rep), Todd Walker (Board Member), Richard Foust (EX-O), Dale Acheson (Alt EX-O)

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

City of Pleasant Hill – Tom England (Rep)

City of Panora – Sue Cosner (EX-O)

City of Windsor Heights – Louise Moon (Rep)

Des Moines Water Works – Lawrence James (Rep), L. D. McMullen (EX-O), Randy Beavers (Alt EX-O), Jenny Puffer (Staff)

Polk County – E. J. Giovannetti (Rep), Jim Elza (EX-O)

City of Ankeny – Tom Strait (Rep)

City of Carlisle – Pat Stump (Rep)

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

IAWA – Linda Kinman (Guest)

University of Iowa – Lynette Seigley (Guest)

Approval of July 27, 2004 Minutes – The minutes of July 27 will be corrected to show motion to approve by Scott Cirksena (Clive). Motion by Jim Wallace (West Des Moines) to approve minutes, as amended, second by Larry James (DMWW), motion carried.

Nominating Committee For 2005 Terms - John McCune appointed the Nominating Committee for 2005 as follows:

Representatives: John McCune (Urbandale)
Jim Wallace (West Des Moines)
Larry James (DMWW)

Ex Officios: Rich Foust (Urbandale)
Jerry Stevens (West Des Moines)
L. D. McMullen (DMWW)

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

1. Well Research
2. Water Treatment Plant to Bid Summer of 2005
3. Start Construction Fall of 2005
4. Target Plant Start Summer-Fall of 2006

Randy Beavers reported that as of this date the purchase capacity commitment had reached 23,000,000 gal/day. Des Moines Water Works is currently working on the Draft Agreement. Participants will receive their draft during the first week of November 2004. Randy has a target date of mid December for the Final Agreement.

L. D. McMullen reported that the Des Moines Water Works Board of Trustees approved a new rate beginning April 1, 2005. The Purchase Capacity Rate will raise .02 from .78/1,000 gallons to .80/1,000 gallons. The With Storage Rate will raise .25 from 1.38/1,000 to 1.63/1,000 gallons.

L. D. McMullen reported that the Des Moines Water Works has reissued the bonds of the Maffitt Treatment Plant and the new rate has been reduced to 3.562%. This results in a savings to those who participated in the Maffitt Purchase Capacity using the financial investment offered by Des Moines Water Works at the time of buying.

Public Policy Sub-Team Report – Louise Moon reported that the committee consisting of Louise Moon (Windsor Heights), Sue Cosner (Panora), Bart Weller (Clive), and Al Ihde (Bondurant) met on three occasions since the last CIRDWC meeting in July. Louise encouraged all members and Ex-O members of the CIRDWC to attend an event to talk with State and Federal Legislatures on November 9th to express water issues. Bart Weller reported on Emergency Management Funds and how they will be pooled to the counties by districts rather than individuals. It seems that funding to help offset the cost of emergency planning will help little if any at all for the water utilities.

Results Of 2004 Polk County Snapshot Of Water Quality– Lynette Seigley, University of Iowa, gave a presentation regarding water quality across the state of Iowa. The snapshot program consists of both professional and volunteer sampling of up-stream and down-stream sites to compare water quality and the effect that different environments and conditions have on water quality.

Future Meetings

January 25, 2005 – Ankeny

April 20, 2005 – Urbandale

Adjournment

Larry James (DMWW) motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., second by Jim Wallace (West Des Moines), motion carried.