

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
August 14, 2023**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rensselaer met in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall on August 14, 2023. Board President Stephen Wood called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Answering roll call were: President Stephen Wood; Secretary Shelby Keys; Board Members Rick Odle and Ernest Watson, Jr; City Attorney Jacob Ahler; Police Chief Matt Anderson; Fire Chief Kenny Haun; Asst. Street Supt. Bryce Black; Project Coordinator Jerry Lockridge. Harley Tomlinson with the Rensselaer Republican was absent.

Also in attendance were George Cover, Russ Overton, Kevin Arnold, Ryan LaReau with Commonwealth and Bob Schenk with Rensselaer Adventures.

The minutes of the July 10, 2023 regular board meeting were presented and approved upon a motion by Odle, second by Watson, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Waterworks Improvements Project:

A. Division A (Elevated Water Storage Tank)

A. Maguire Iron Pay Request #3: Lockridge said this pay request for \$593,735.00 covers all the foundation work and a portion of steelwork for the tower. Lockridge stated this portion of the project is 47% complete. There was a motion by Watson, second by Odle, to approve pay request #3 (SRF #15). The motion passed unanimously.

B. Division B (Water Main and Water Service Replacement:

A. Grimmer Construction Pay Request #1: Lockridge said this pay request for \$157,806.00 covers service line replacements, traffic control and backfilling. There was a motion made by Odle, second by Wood, to approve pay request #1 (SRF #16). The motion passed unanimously.

B. Commonwealth Engineers Invoice: Lockridge said this invoice is for \$32,388.00 and covers easement work, inspection services, and construction engineering. There was motion made by Wood, second by Odle, to pay the invoice (SRF #17). The motion passed unanimously.

New Main Lift Station & Unsewered Areas Project:

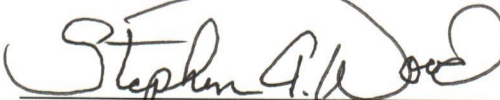
A. Thieneman Pay Request #15: Lockridge said this \$36,449.89 pay request covers supervision, plaques, work on the control building and covers change order #6. There was a motion made by Watson, second by Wood to approve pay request #15. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Commonwealth Engineers Invoice: Lockridge said this invoice is for additional construction in the amount of \$3,399.99. There was a motion made by Wood, second by Odle to approve Commonwealth's claim. The motion passed unanimously.

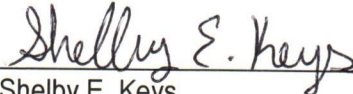
C. Change Order #7: Lockridge said this change order includes the installation of a permanent chemical feed system at the wastewater treatment plant for phosphorous removal. They are currently operating off a temporary system and are able to utilize remaining \$225,969.54 of Rural Development Funds. This change order is for \$782,385.40. There was a motion by Watson, second by Odle, to approve Change Order #7. The motion passed unanimously.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements-Engineer's Contract Amendment #4 for Phosphorus Removal: Lockridge said there is a contract with Commonwealth Engineers to perform engineering services for the new phosphorous building. Amendment #4 is for \$116,800.00 and covers construction and inspection services. There was a motion made by Odle, second by Watson, to approve Amendment #4. The motion passed unanimously.

There being nothing more to come before the board, there was a motion by Wood, second by Odle, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.


Stephen A. Wood, Mayor

Attest:


Shelby E. Keys
Clerk-Treasurer