**REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 13, 2018**

Commission President, Bob Stavran, called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Metropolitan Sewerage District (Metro) to order at 11:30 a.m. Commission Members Present: Jim Strehlow, Craig Mortensen and Tom Wittkopf. Excused: Galen Olson. Also Present: Diane Thoune, Clark Dietz Engineers; Eric Donaldson, Director; Andy Heise, Superintendent; and Katherine Kunze, Administrative Clerk/Secretary.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Mortensen made a motion to approve the October 9, 2018 minutes for the 2019 Budget Public Hearing and Regular Meeting. Mr. Strehlow seconded this motion. Questioned and unanimously passed.

**CHECK REGISTER APPROVAL**

Mr. Strehlow made a motion to approve the following October Prepaid 2018 Checks and the November 2018 Check Register, with Mr. Wittkopf seconding the motion. Questioned and after discussion unanimously passed.

General Prepaid Checks $46,873.23

Equip Repl. Prepaid Checks $267,840.28

Asset/Cap. Imp. Prepaid Checks $22,862.52

General Checks #27418 - #27449 $45,844.05

Equip. Repl. Checks #619 $8,326.14

Asset/Cap Imp. Check #655 $1,536.76

The Commission reviewed and discussed Pay Request #11 from Miron. After a discussion, Mr. Strehlow made a motion to approve Pay Request #11 for $88,904.30. Mr. Wittkopf seconded the motion. Questioned and unanimously passed.

**FACILITIES AND GROUNDS UPGRADE**

Mr. Donaldson updated the Commission on the progress of the “punch list”. Many items have been completed.

**DIRECTOR/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Budget Comparison Report – Reviewed and discussed. Mr. Donaldson noted that the Workers Comp premium will exceed a 25% increase for 2019. He explained why.

Asset/Replacement – Mr. Donaldson noted that Krall’s Masonry will be starting the brickwork that needs to be done on Metro buildings. The current proposal they submitted is substantially higher than the one the Metro received from them about a year ago. Mr. Donaldson explained why, and asked for direction from the Commission on how to proceed with this project. During discussion it was determined that the bricks be paid for this year, along with the work on 2nd digester. Then, after seeing how much that costs, it will be determined when the rest of the buildings can be worked on.

Mr. Heise reported on what Strand Associates found during their inspection of the concrete deterioration from hydrogen sulfide corrosion at the influent pumping station wet well and three manholes. A discussion was held.

Plant Report – Reviewed.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

Technician Position– Mr. Donaldson informed the Commission that he posted the ad for hiring a technician to replace Mr. Williams when he retires in January 2019.

CLEARAS will be returning to the Metro the first week of December to do another pilot study. Mr. Donaldson explained why and noted that this will be done at CLEARAS’s expense and will not cost the Metro anything.

Mr. Donaldson stated that the Village of Maine called him considering options on what they can do with their wastewater when the time comes that the Village of Brokaw has to shut down their wastewater treatment plant, because of its age. A discussion was held on the feasibility of hooking up to the Metro. Mr. Donaldson indicated that he would keep the Commission updated on this matter.

Mr. Heise reported that sludge hauling is done.

At 12:05 p.m., with no further business to discuss, there was a motion by Mr. Wittkopf to adjourn the meeting and seconded Mr. Strehlow. Questioned and unanimously passed.

A tape of the proceedings of the Regular Meeting will be on file at Rib Mountain Metropolitan Sewerage District 2001 Aster Road – Wausau, WI.