

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE KIMBERLY WATER COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
MARCH 8, 2022**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 11:00 am. Commissioners Hanson, Hietpas and Stienen appeared in person. Also attending the meeting were Water Superintendent Verstegen, Administrator Block, Operations Director Dannhoff, Water Utility Clerk Firchow and McMahon Engineer Brad Werner. McMahon Engineer Sara Altimimi appeared by teleconference.

Item No. 7 of the Agenda was taken out of order and the report by McMahon Engineering on the proposed water tower painting project was presented. The report concluded that in terms of costs, there would be no significant advantage to building the new tower at the north end of Eisenhower Drive and abandoning the Tower at James Street, in lieu of repainting the existing James Street elevated storage tank. It also concluded that the existing distribution system is excellent and well above the requirement of 500 gpm at 20 psi.

Superintendent Verstegen stated he would like to delay any repainting project for a year while the water main on Kimberly Avenue is replaced.

The Commissioners would like to present their recommendations to the Village Board on April 18, 2022.

At 12:08 pm, Commissioner Hanson left the meeting.

Commissioner Stienen moved, Hietpas seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2022 meeting. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Commissioner Stienen moved, Hietpas seconded the motion to approve the bills and claims for January 2022. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Commissioner Stienen moved, Hietpas seconded the motion to approve the financial statements for January 2022. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Superintendent Verstegen reported that they had a speed setting issue with the SCADA system on Well #1. A new SCADA card is on order, as well as a new filter for Well #1. The softener waste lift station, pump and motor are being replaced at Well # 3, and the brine system solenoid valve was replaced at Well #1.

Superintendent Verstegen also reported that there were water breaks behind the former Shopko building and on W. Fourth Street. Water audits are being conducted along Kimberly Avenue and older parts of Kimberly to determine what type of service line the property has.

An audit of the water utility will be conducted in the next few weeks.

There was no Unfinished Business.

Under New Business, Administrator Block received a request from Home Energy Plus to join a financial assistance program offered through the State of Wisconsin to provide financial assistance to low-income households. This is a new State program funded by COVID relief funds to provide financial assistance to homeowners to pay for water utility bills. The financial assistance would not cost the Village anything, however the billing statement would need to be changed. Approximately 260 communities are currently enrolled in the program.

Administrator Block also announced that the request for bids for the water main replacement on West Kimberly Avenue is out and bids are due on March 16, 2022.

Commissioner Stienen moved, Hietpas seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried by unanimous vote and the Commission adjourned at 12:23 pm.

  
Danielle L. Block  
Secretary