Poughkeepsies' Joint Water Board

March 6, 2012
Minutes

Board Members	**Others**
Mark Newton	Randy Alstadt, Administrator
Mayor John Tkazyik	Don Beer, Morris Associates
Paul Herman	David Wise, Gellert & Klein
Todd Tancredi	Mike Long, City Administrator
Rich DuPilka	Milo Bunyi, City Finance Commissioner
Sean Eagleton	Keith Ballard, Town Water
	Jessie Purcell, City Water
	Doreen Tignanelli, Customer

1. **Approval of February 7, 2012 Minutes**

   Minutes were approved as written. Mark Newton abstained as he was not present at February meeting.

2. **Public Participation** None disussed

3. **Plant Status Report**

   Randy Alstadt reviewed his written report. Randy stated he, Water Plant Leaders, City Distribution, Town Distribution and Don Beer met with representatives of BlueEarthLabs concerning a proposal to add a chemical that is to clean distribution pipelines which they say will reduce disinfection byproducts. Randy stated projected first year cost is $648,000 followed by annual projection of $408,800. Randy stated that Jim Normandin contacted a user that is about to terminate the application. Randy did not recommend moving forward unless additional positive references are found.

   Todd Tancredi questioned IBM's need for water. Randy stated that if urea was at acceptable levels they would be able to take their allocated 2 MGD plus an additional 1 MGD. Todd asked whether Village of Wappingers Falls could supply IBM. Randy replied they do not have a direct connection.

   Dutchess County contract time period was discussed.

4. **Operating Budget Status**

   Randy Alstadt provided Board 2011 operating budget status.

5. **Disinfection Byproduct Study**

   Randy Alstadt stated he does not have final Conceptual Design Report. Randy stated he expects this will be available at the April meeting.

Randy stated he has received design proposals for centrifuge replacement and distribution model.

Centrifuge: Todd Tancredi stated finance rate would likely be 2-3 percent. Mayor Tkazyik expressed concern that project will need City Council and Town Board approval to bond $2.5 million. Don Beer stated Town will need to develop a Map, Plan and Report and have State Comptroller approval. Mayor Tkazyik stated the project needs to be presented to City Council and Town Board. Mark Newton stated "Big Picture" needs to be presented. Todd stated that Town Committee of the Whole meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Randy was directed to prepare a presentation for dry run at next Board Meeting.

Distribution Model: Randy Alstadt presented current proposed cost split. Rich DuPilka question why the need for calibration in Tasks 5 & 6. Sean Eagleton questioned why price was so high and whether this should be bid. Don Beer stated project is a 4-month effort. Randy Alstadt was directed to provide Sean proposal. Rich DuPilka stated that City has already spent around $120,000 for the City model completed in 2006.

Project Schedule: Mark Newton questioned what will be impact of not moving forward. Don Beer stated compliance will be required in October 2013. If City or Town fail to comply we will be forced into a compliance plan with a timeline.

Mayor Tkazyik stated borrowing capacity for City and Town is minimized. Mark Newton recommended centrifuge, pH adjustment and model be capitalized in a single project.

6. Alternative Compliance

Randy Alstadt stated that BlueEarthLabs proposal was previously discussed during his Status Report.

7. Old Business

None

8. New Business

Sean Eagleton recommend meeting time be pushed back to 5:00 PM to make it easier for him to arrive on time. Board discussed start time with decision to keep meeting at 4:30 and hold any critical discussion until Sean arrives or 5:00 PM.

Board set next meeting date for Tuesday, April 10, 2011, 4:30 PM at the Poughkeepsies' Water Treatment Facility. (NOTE: This is second Tuesday due to Easter Holiday/Spring Break).