## PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION

Regular meeting of the Commission held October 25, 2010.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Alesch, Meinz, and Scheberle

**EXCUSED:** Commissioners Hasselblad and Zabel

**ALSO PRESENT:** T. Sigmund, D. Busch, P. Kaster, W. Angoli, M. Pierner, M. Diaz, J. Kennedy, J. Christ, W. Oldenburg, B. Bartel, J. Czypinski, S. Savoie, D. Cawley, L. Evenson, M. Erschnig, J. Van Sistine, J. Nicks–Legal Counsel; C. Larscheid and M. Walter–Brown County Port & Solid Waste Department; K. Hubbard–Thilmany; A. Hammatt–Village of Suamico; B. Meeuwsen–Fourinox; R. Kopish–Chamber of Commerce

Commission President Alesch called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

# 1) Approval of minutes of Commission meetings held September 27 and October 13, 2010.

# **Motion #10-106**

It was moved by Meinz, seconded by Scheberle, and unanimously agreed to approve the September 27 and October 13, 2010 minutes as distributed.

## 2) September financials.

M. Diaz reported total municipal waste operating revenues for September were \$79,000 favorable to budget due to user fees from municipal waste from the Cities of De Pere and Green Bay, and Village of Ashwaubenon. Year to date operating revenues were \$76,000 unfavorable to budget due to lower than planned user fees. She reported September operating expenses were favorable to budget by \$304,000 due to chemicals, strategic initiatives, and contracted services. Year to date operating expenses were \$1,024,000 favorable to budget due to strategic initiatives, natural gas & fuel oil pricing, and salaries. She reported net loss for September was \$46,000 due to non-operating expenses. Year to date net loss was favorable to budget by \$968,000 due to operating income.

## 3) Update on Household Hazardous Waste Facility.

T. Sigmund introduced Chuck Larscheid and Mark Walter from the Brown County Port & Solid Waste Department.

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- C. Larscheid stated the Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHWF) has been partners with the Green Bay Metropolitan Sewerage District (GBMSD) since 1996. The HHWF accepts materials that pose a threat to human health and the environment and is funded through the Brown County Port & Solid Waste Department, Oneida Tribe, and GBMSD.
- M. Walter reported last year was the busiest year on record for the HHWF, collecting 854,000 pounds of hazardous waste. He stated the projection for collection this year is 900,000 pounds. He stated the participation rate has been consistent at 7 8%.
- C. Larscheid stated the HHWF has been working with Winnebago and Outagamie counties collecting hazardous waste materials. He distributed a copy of the proposed 2011 HHWF budget. He reported the 2010 budget was \$401,633 and the 2011 proposed budget is \$581,213, which is a 43% increase. He stated the 2011 budget also proposes an increase in GBMSD contribution from \$76,994 to \$93,660.
- 4) Introduce the new Systems Technician, Steve Savoie.
  - J. Czypinski introduced Steve Savoie, the new Systems Technician.
  - S. Savoie stated that he has an ASCC Degree in Electrical Technology from Bay College, a BSBA in Industrial Management, and a BSEE in Control Systems from Michigan Technological University. He has recently continued his education at NWTC with several courses in Linux, VB6, and Rockwell ControlLogix PLC programming. He previously worked at Georgia-Pacific for five years and was the Control Systems Manager at Appleton Papers for 17 years before coming to GBMSD. He has a wife, two sons, and a daughter.

The Commission welcomed him.

- 5) Approve Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$3,578,504 General Obligation Sewerage System Promissory Notes, Series 2010A and Providing for Other Details and Covenants With Respect Thereto.
  - M. Diaz reported the Clean Water Fund Loan (CWFL) application is for the rehabilitation of the Ashwaubenon Creek and Ninth Street Interceptors to serve the Villages of Ashwaubenon and Hobart, Town of Lawrence, and City of De Pere. She stated the project was awarded to Insituform Technologies at the April 26 Commission meeting. She requested Commission approval of the General Obligation Note to start the process of closing the loan for the CWF Program project in the amount of \$3,578,504. She stated this note will be issued at the subsidized interest rate of 2.4% for 20 years.

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M. Pierner reported both interceptors were acquired from the City of De Pere and an estimated \$3,700,000 of the rehabilitation work will be funded from a City of De Pere reserve transferred to GBMSD as part of the annexation process. The remaining cost of the rehabilitation work will be split between GBMSD and De Pere. He stated the interceptor rehabilitation work is needed to repair damage done from hydrogen sulfide over the years.

## Motion #10-107

It was moved by Meinz, seconded by Scheberle, and unanimously agreed to approve Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$3,578,504 General Obligation Sewerage System Promissory Notes, Series 2010A and Providing for Other Details and Covenants With Respect Thereto. (Resolution #10-014 is on file at the GBMSD offices.)

# 6) Update of projects:

- a) Consolidation Projects Treatment plants construction phase
- b) Ninth Street and Ashwaubenon Creek Interceptor Rehabilitation Phase 2
- c) Raw Wastewater Pump Station Bar Screen Replacement
- d) North Basin Complex Gate Replacement
- e) Pump Station Monitoring & Control Improvements
- f) M&C Improvements WAS Thickening
- g) Electrical Generation Facility
- h) Sludge Loading and Chemical Addition System

## 7) Operation report:

- a) Effluent quality for September
- D. Busch reported both facilities were in full compliance with all effluent limits for September. He stated staff is still investigating the slime build-up in the mill waste transfer line between the De Pere and Green Bay Facilities. He reported the Green Bay Facility is experiencing bleed through of phosphorus on weekends when the Fox River Fiber flow is low.

# b) Air quality for September

D. Busch reported the Green Bay Facility was in full compliance with air quality limits and guidelines for September.

## 8) Executive Director's report:

a) November Commission meeting

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The next meeting is scheduled for November 22 at 8:30 a.m. Staff will provide copies of the 2011 proposed budget to GBMSD customers including top elected officials, administrators, and public works directors. Meetings will also be scheduled.

## b) Solids Management Plan update

Staff and the consultant will meet with the Department of Natural Resources on Thursday to discuss GBMSD's Solids Management Plan. Representatives from the Clean Water Fund Loan Program will be present to discuss financing needs.

## c) Fourinox update

Fourinox was in violation of GBMSD's Pretreatment Program for failing to submit an Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permit within 30 days of the required date, July 4, 2010. On August 19 GBMSD issued a Notice of Violation (NOV) to Fourinox for not submitting a permit. Fourinox appealed the NOV to the Executive Director on September 9. The Executive Director upheld the decision in a letter dated September 24. GBMSD received a completed Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permit on September 13. On October 20, Commission President Alesch received a written appeal from Fourinox. A public hearing will be scheduled.

- 9) Convene in closed session under State Statute 19.85 (1) (g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the Commission who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Commission with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved:
  - a) Status report on Rockland appeal of De Pere annexation
  - b) Air permit update
  - c) Update on discussions with Neenah Menasha

## Motion #10-108

It was moved by Meinz, seconded by Scheberle, and unanimously agreed to convene in closed session under State Statute 19.85 (1) (g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the Commission who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Commission with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.

# 10) Reconvene in open session.

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It was moved by Meinz, seconded by Scheberle, and unanimously agreed to reconvene in open session.

# 11) Budget workshop.

T. Sigmund reviewed several adjustments that were made to the proposed 2011 budget since the first budget workshop. He reported the proposed 2011 municipal combined rate is \$2.01 per 1,000 gallons. He stated if the Commission concurs with the proposed budget, staff will provide copies of the proposed budget to GBMSD customers and will set up meetings to discuss it.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

GREEN BAY METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT

 	Secretary	