

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE WEST DES MOINES WATER WORKS**

April 26, 2012

A special meeting of The Board of Trustees of the West Des Moines Water Works was called to order by Chair Karen Novak Swalwell at 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 26, 2012. Trustees Philip J. Dorweiler, William B. Spencer, Brian P. Rickert and Gwen A. Swanger were present; also present were staff members William H. Garrett, Customer Service Manager; Paula R. Meyer, Accounting Manager and Treasurer; Diana J. Wilson, Engineering Project Manager; Mike Scott, Water Distribution Manager and Mitch Pinkerton, Water Production Manager; and Councilman Charles Schneider.

Moved by Swanger, seconded by Rickert that the agenda be approved as presented. Roll call: All yes. Motion carried.

No one came forward during the Citizen Forum.

Discussion was had of the situation with Fox Valley Development by Colby Interests. Fox Valley development is moving forward and expected availability of water service by summer 2012. Information was given to the Board by staff on the recent measures taken to move the project forward, including a meeting with the General Manager of Warren Rural Water to obtain current purchase information for the required territory, communication with IDOT regarding timeline and application procedures for the Highway 5 crossing, meeting with Wittern family representative (Misty Wittern) regarding possible land purchase for a booster station, communication with Des Moines Water Works regarding the possibility of a temporary unboosted connection, and review of the preliminary water main and Highway 5 crossing plan set designed by Des Moines Water Works. Due to the number of unresolved issues, an accurate timeline for service availability is not possible at this time.

The Board decided that further discussion with the General Manager would be necessary to determine what issues led to water service not meeting expected timeline.

The Board directed staff to continue moving forward to expedite the project as much as possible. Trustee Swanger also requested cost estimates for development of the South and Southwest areas to determine what the anticipated funding requirements will be.

Trustee Rickert had to leave at 4:40.

Moved by Swanger, seconded by Dorweiler adjourn at 4:55 P.M.
Roll call: All yes. Motion carried.

Attest:

Jerald W. Stevens, P.E.
Secretary

Karen Novak Swalwell
Chair

These Minutes are a draft, if corrections or additions are made the corrected minutes will be published after the approval at the May 21, 2012 meeting.