

Members Present: Ron Brown, Larry Deibert, Norm Tschetter

Members Absent: Craig Fischer, Randy Smart

After receiving notice from Ron Bengs that DENR will not allow our project to go out for bids when adequate funding is not in place to cover total cost. We have experienced an increased cost in engineering as well as legal costs associated with easement preparation and filing.

DENR would allow us to bid two separate projects; one now and one after additional funding is secured. The next BHCLG (Black Hills Council of Local Governments) application deadline is April 1 but the BHCLG does not have room to prepare our application for the next round. BHCLG will prepare our second application prior to the July 1 deadline with the application being heard at the DENR meeting at the end of September.

A spreadsheet with the project costs broken into four areas is attached to these minutes.

Phase 1: All work shown on the plans from the pump house to the Hisega Road/Wheaton Road intersection. The 8" waterline would cross Hisega and reconnect to the old line on the North side of Heritage Road. It would include all valves and capping the old line that would be abandoned after the new line is tested. This would include the new 4" line going back toward the pit to create sufficient contact time, to service several homes that can experience a high level of chloride, presently. A 2" water main would be installed to Chris Jirsa property line and then a 1" service line to her house.

Phase 1 would also include the Sanders service line installation and temporary connection to service the three lots presently on the existing Sanders line.

Phase 2A: Install 6" water main from the Hisega Road/Wheaton Road intersection going North along the Lau property line until near the Fireside Restaurant. The line would cross under Hisega Road and continue North to Hwy 44; it would bore under Hwy 44 and end on the North side of Hwy 44.

Phase 2B: All work shown on the plans to install a new 6" water main from the Reservoir (at the North end of Big Piney Road) along Big Piney Road down to intersecting the old water main going East near Hwy 44. This would involve the permanent hook up of the three homes near the Sanders residence.

Phase 2 Alternate: Install a new 6" water main from the point where Phase 2A terminates (on the North side of Hwy 44) proceeding East along Hwy 44 until it turns North in the existing easement along the western edge of Jack Sanders property and terminating on the North side of Big Piney Road, near the Reservoir.

Motion by Larry to have Advanced Engineering revise the plans to only request construction bids for the Phase 1 work; the cost should be less than the \$487,500 presently funded by DENR. Seconded by Norm. Unanimous approval. Cost spreadsheet attached with these minutes.

Ron requested a copy of the Errors & Omission Insurance in effect for the HMWI Board Members. Larry agreed to provide a copy of the policy through Western Dakota Insurers, which is on file at the Lau's.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Norm and a second by Ron. The next board meeting will be April 7, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Brown
HMWI Secretary