Water and Sewer Commission Member Nickels called the Regular Meeting of the City of Platteville Water and Sewer Commission to order on Wednesday, October 9th at 4:07 pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

W/S Commission members present: Ken Kilian, Austin Polebitski (4:07pm), Isaac Shanley (4:07pm), Brian Laufenberg, Eileen Nickels
W/S Commission members excused: Mark Meyers
W/S Commission members absent:

City Staff present: Public Works Director - Howard Crofoot, Utility Superintendent – Irv Lupee, Financial Operations Manager - Barb Johnson, Administration Director – Nicola Maurer
City Staff excused:

Citizens’ Comments – Discussion regarding the main breaks on S Court near Gridley. Attendees at the meeting – Jacob Mallat and Justin Reeter – UWP students, Dan Dreessens – Delta 3.

The Consent Calendar was presented for consideration. Motion by Kilian, second by Laufenberg to approve the Consent Calendar: September 10th, 2019 Minutes, September Financial Report, September Bank Reconciliation and Investments Report, Payment of Bills (9/5/2019 – 10/2/2019), September Water Quality Report. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

Election of commission officers – Motion by Polebitski, second by Nickels to nominate Shanley as President. Motion carried. Motion by Shanley, second by Kilian to nominate Laufenberg as Secretary. Motion carried.

18-19 Digestor Cleaning Project Bid – Crofoot requested to have this item moved ahead of the budget discussion. Information was handed out regarding the bid and the company (Bytec) submitting the bid. The aeration basin would be split into 2 parts, with some of the funds coming from the replacement fund. Dreessens noted the last time there was maintenance to the digestor was 2012 with a cost of $55,000. He anticipated a current bid to be roughly $75,000. Bytec’s bid came in at $95,470 due to ground being saturated and repairs to the building and roof. Motion by Nickels, second by Kilian to approve Contract 18-19 Digestor Cleaning to Bytec at the bid price of $95,470. Motion carried 4-1.

2020 water/sewer budget and 2020-2024 CIP – Crofoot stated that we might want to add to CIP for repair to S Court at Gridley for pipe repair. The estimated cost would be $75,000. Other items of discussion were the lift stations having a hard time keeping up with water flow. The manholes are the issues, and it would cost roughly $5,000/manhole to help protect the neighbor’s basements and it will also reduce the amount of water going to the treatment plant. There are about 22 manholes to replace, totaling an estimated $100,000-$125,000 to replace the manholes over the next 2-3 years. Maurer will discuss with Ehlers the possibility of adding $250,000 to the Revenue Bonds for the additional CIP. Motion by Polebitski, second by Laufenberg to approve the 2020 water/sewer budget and 2020-2024 CIP along with the additional 2020 CIP based on the information brought forward by Ehlers on the additional Revenue Bonds. Motion carried.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

Lewis & Court St – Crofoot announced that all water and sewer is complete. The crew is finishing up storm sewer and landscaping.

Lead Service Line – Crofoot announced there are no changes to report. Roughly $20 remains for funds.
Motion made by Nickels, second by Kilian to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Barb Johnson
Financial Operations Manager