

RESOLUTION

TO EXTEND WATER SERVICE IN THE CITY OF MANITOWOC AND TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL WATER TO IMPACTED PROPERTIES IN THE TOWN OF NEWTON

WHEREAS, the City of Manitowoc owns a gravel pit located west of the City in the Town of Newton, known as the Newton Gravel Pit, a site which previously accepted liquid industrial wastes during the 1960s and 1970s; and,

WHEREAS, as part of normal environmental monitoring requested by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the City of Manitowoc discovered that 15 potable water wells in the vicinity of the Newton Gravel Pit contained volatile organic compounds in excess of the DNR's enforcement standards; and,

WHEREAS, the City does not admit liability for the drinking water supply impact but is working in collaboration with the Wisconsin DNR to provide a safe, long-term drinking water solution to the 15 impacted property owners while continuing to investigate the source(s) of contamination; and

WHEREAS, six of the impacted properties had new replacement wells drilled during 2014 to provide them with a safe, long-term drinking water solution and a seventh property will have a replacement well drilled in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the following properties require a safe, long-term drinking water solution:

2717 County Highway CR/4141 Viebahn Street, Town of Newton

2734/2804 County Highway CR, Town of Newton

2916 County Highway CR, Town of Newton

3617 Viebahn Street, City of Manitowoc

3701 Viebahn Street, Town of Newton

3815 Viebahn Street, Town of Newton

4025 Viebahn Street, City of Manitowoc

4101 Viebahn Street, City of Manitowoc

WHEREAS, these eight impacted properties are located on Viebahn Street or the north end of County CR, with three properties in the City limits, three properties adjacent to the City limits, and two properties within 1000' of the City limits; and

WHEREAS, the long-term fiscal impact of providing municipal water to the remaining eight impacted properties is projected to be less than the fiscal impact of drilling new replacement potable wells due to the proximity of the properties to the City limits;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor Justin M. Nickels and the Common Council of the City of Manitowoc that Manitowoc Public Utilities is authorized to extend water service to the properties listed above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney and Director of Public Infrastructure are authorized to negotiate water service agreements with the eight impacted properties and shall forward all such agreements to the Common Council for signature.

INTRODUCED _____

ADOPTED _____

APPROVED _____

Justin M. Nickels, Mayor

This resolution was drafted by Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney

Fiscal Impact: \$578,930

Funding Source: MPU to pay construction costs, City will reimburse through BCPL loan and DNR loan in 2016.

Finance Director Approval: /sc

Approved as to form: /kmm