

Utility Service Board Meeting
May 6, 2015

Members Present: Sue Siefert, Henry Pictor, Tim Dietz, Jay Reichmuth, Arnold Kirschner

Member(s) Absent:

Also Present: Comptroller Douglas Browne, Water Manager Steve Wintz, Gas Manager Scott Bauer and Mayor Rick Fledderman

Chairperson Sue Siefert called the meeting of the Utility Service Board to order at 12:00 noon at the Mayor's Conference Room.

Mr. Dietz moved to accept the minutes of the March 26th Utility Service Board meeting. Mr. Pictor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Wintz presented the Water Operations Report and Mr. Bauer presented the Gas Operations Report to the Board.

Mr. Browne then presented the Financial Reports. Mr. Browne recommended investing \$300,000 for 3 months, only if the interest rate is more than 0.50%. Otherwise, the cash is not to be invested. Mr. Browne recommended investing \$14,000 from the Gas Main Extension Fund for ten (10) months. Mr. Pictor moved to approve the Investment recommendations, Operations, Financial and Investment Reports. Mr. Kirschner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Claims for April were next discussed. Mr. Wintz and Mr. Browne requested permission to pay \$200 to IDEM and \$466.77 to Harmeyer's Market in addition to the list of claims presented to the Board. Mr. Dietz moved to approve the Water Claims, including the IDEM invoice and 50% of the Harmeyer's Market invoice for this month. Mr. Kirschner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Pictor moved to approve the Gas Claims, including 50% of the Harmeyer's Market invoice for this month. Mr. Kirschner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Wintz and Mr. Bauer presented the Capital Improvements Report for March to the Board.

The Board asked Mr. Browne to come up with three (3) or four (4) scenarios to present to the Board based on a self-review of the current rates and tracker calculation.

Mr. Wintz informed the Board that he received a letter from Andrew Roberts about our mitigation site, stating that the site appears to be progressing towards meeting the criteria that was listed in the permit.

We are still waiting to hear back from Franklin County Water Utility on what kind of water rates they will provide us as it relates to extending mains to the aquifer.

Mr. Wintz informed the Board that he has to do inspections this year of our high hazard dams. After talking with Ron Carter of DNR, Mr. Wintz has determined that it would be in the Water Utility's best interest to hire a new engineer to inspect our dams. Mr. Wintz is currently contacting engineers from a list of "credible engineers" provided him by DNR.

Mr. Wintz informed the Board that Batesville has been randomly selected, along with three (3) other cities in Indiana, by IDEM to have a surface water blue green algae study done.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Utility Service Board will be Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 12:00 noon at the Mayor's Conference Room, in the Memorial Building.

Chairperson
Sue Siefert

Secretary
Douglas Browne