

MINUTES OF THE April 18, 2022, REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Authority Board Meeting

1:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL: Chairperson Harma called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Commissioners present were Lysanne Harma, Jimmy Stoneburner, Barry Bower, Christina Hutchings, and Jeff Sorensen. Also present were Executive Director John Crumb, Executive Assistant Anne Richmond, Executive Assistant Heather Mezo, Field Superintendent Aaron Grogg, Water Superintendent Bill Bresson, Engineer Paul Schram, and Village of Augusta Manager Jeff Heppler. Also present were a few area residents.

REVIEW AND SET THE AGENDA:

Stoneburner made the motion to set the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Bower. **Motion carried; all ayes.**

HEAR THOSE PRESENT: Nothing was presented.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A-1 Mechanical Invoice – 2nd email was sent with no response. GLSWA will be asking the attorney to engage for the collection of the \$9,500 invoice for the poor pole barn install. MiDeal account is available for all the townships to use. GIS service contract for to be renewed. We been using for 6 years- very favorable.

A motion was made by Hutchings and seconded by Sorensen to approve the consent agenda. **Motion carried; all ayes.**

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel Policy Update

Motion

Removed practice for flexing on-call pay (didn't provide the true reflection of overtime) and bringing professional people on board recommended changing vacation policy 1yr. -2wks, 2yrs. -3wks. 6yrs. -4wks. At 10 years those that are on call will receive an additional week 5 -wks.

Stoneburner made the motion to approve personnel policy update as reviewed. Motion was seconded by Hutchings.

Motion carried; all ayes.

MDOT Performance Resolution for Municipalities Motion
 Notify MDOT of any work in the road right of way – Names people that can notify on
 website. (Kalamazoo Resolution).
**Roll Call Vote: Stoneburner-aye; Hutchings-aye; Bower-aye; Sorensen-aye;
 Harma-aye; Motion carried**

Power Washer Replacement Motion
 AR Blue Clean Pro \$977.62
 Stoneburner made the motion to approve the power washer. Motion was seconded by
 Bower.
Motion carried; all ayes.

The Bluff Water System Presentation
 New apartment complex across from the Ross Township Hall – 4 buildings, 48 units,
 consisting of mostly 2 bedrooms. Needs a new type 1 public water supply. Can be
 owned and operated privately if public municipality refuses to take over. Still must
 follow all the state drinking water rules. Owner does not want to operate the system.
 Need to demonstrate technical capacity, financial capacity, and managerial capacity.
 Pair of 2 200gal per min well. 130ft deep wells Also, will put in equipment that is
 compatible with SCADA. Fill reservoirs for fire suppression. No ability to fill fire
 trucks. Authority to take ownership for the wells and well house before it goes into
 building. Public supply of water through wells in Ross Township. Presentation will be
 made available on GLSWA's website.

Sherman Lake Project Discussion
 We have touched base with 67%, 3 homeowners have no interest, and a small group
 has retained legal counsel. 19 FOIA requests for 2022. Individual reached out to
 contractor. Ross Township passed resolution so GLSWA can purchase supplies. Work
 session is set for next week. The less people that participate the more costly it will be
 for the bond. Sewer connection must be within 18 months of March 1, 2022.
 Engagement letters are to be sent by Ross Township. What is the role of GLSWA vs
 Ross Township when it comes to payments? Hutchings- send letter from attorney with
 option A and option B to give owners a better understanding.

M-96 Pipe Rehab Update Discussion
 Check was cashed on 2/28/2022. Continued lack of communication with Amtrak even
 after the check has been cashed. We will be reaching out to senators/congressmen. Jeff
 Heppler to also reach out.

OLD BUSINESS: On Going

Projected

Crumb included the Old Business On-Going update in the packet mailed to the Board.
 There were no questions.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Sorensen noted the climate for public service is not as good as it used to be.

Crumb compared the rate change percentage of increase for treatment costs over the last 5 years to the rate increase GLSWA has issued over the last 5 years. GLSWA has created a Q&A about for frequently asked questions regarding the rate change.

Harna has suggested that we find more ways to get the information out to our customers. Richland Township does a yearly newsletter.

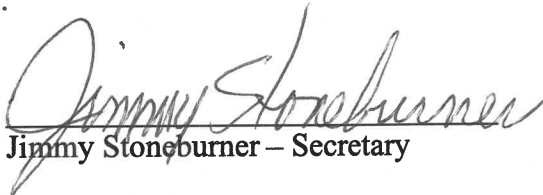
ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY, May 16, 2022, 1:30 P.M.

Submitted for approval


Jimmy Stoneburner – Secretary