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MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2021 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, and Barry Bower. Commissioner Christina Hutchings was absent. Also present were Executive Director John Crumb, Executive Assistant Anne Richmond, Field Superintendent Aaron Grogg, Water Services Manager Bill Bresson, Engineer Paul Schram, and Cooper Township Supervisor Jeff Sorensen.

REVIEW AND SET THE AGENDA: Crumb revised the Agenda to enter closed session under New Business to address the GLSWA/Charleston Township Agreement. Stoneburner made the motion to set the Agenda as revised. Motion was seconded by Bower. **Motion carried; all ayes.**

HEAR THOSE PRESENT (Non-Agenda Items): Nothing presented.

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made by Stoneburner and seconded by Bower to approve the consent agenda. **Motion carried; all ayes.**

NEW BUSINESS

SCADA Presentation Discussion
Grogg and Bresson demonstrated the new SCADA system for the Board. Field personnel are now able to view, analyze and control pumps from multiple devices including phones and laptops making troubleshooting easier and more efficient. Historical information is stored which will assist with engineering analysis and asset management. Field personnel are very pleased with the capabilities and performance of the new SCADA system.

Galesburg City/GLSWA Intergovernmental Agreement Motion
Crumb reviewed changes to the Galesburg City/GLSWA Intergovernmental Agreement rates and wording regarding regular hours and time outside of regular

hours. Crumb noted that there would be a change date for these revisions and that this was not a renewal of the Agreement. A motion was made by Stoneburner and seconded by Bower to revise the Galesburg City/GLSWA Intergovernmental Agreement labor rates and wording as reviewed. **Motion carried; all ayes.**

At 2:20 p.m. Stoneburner moved that the Authority Board convene in closed session under section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act, to consider material exempt from disclosure by state statute, section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, being a letter from its attorney dated May 19, 2021, for the reason that the letter is exempt from disclosure under State law due to the attorney-client privilege. The motion was seconded by Bower. **Motion carried; all ayes.**

The Board resumed open session at 2:38 p.m.

GLSWA/Charleston Township Agreement	Discussion/Motion
A motion was made by Stoneburner and seconded by Bower to accept the Attorney's recommendation. <u>Motion carried; all ayes.</u>	

OLD BUSINESS: On Going

Projected

Crumb discussed items on the Master List. Crumb and Attorney Thall will be meeting with Cooper Township Supervisor Jeff Sorensen and Cooper Township Attorney Michael Homier on Friday, May 21 to discuss the Cooper Township O&M agreement with GLSWA.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Commissioner Harma reported that Richland Township will be using water funds to update their water ordinance which could then be made available to other Townships as a template. Harma noted that she had been in a meeting with James Baker, Public Services Director for the City of Kalamazoo, and he was very complimentary of John Crumb. Baker expressed appreciation for the good working relationship that they have and is happy that John was appointed to the UPC.

Executive Director Crumb outlined his priorities: Charleston Township Agreement, Sherman Lake Special Assessment District, GLSWA Rate Study. The Village of Augusta approved 11% participation in the M-96 Lining project at their May 3 meeting. Workgroup meetings may be resuming soon to discuss Water around Gull Lake. GLSWA will be redoing the server room this Friday, May 21. Tuesday, May 25, is Employee Appreciation Day for GLSWA Staff, and a lunch is planned from 11:30 to 12:30.

Engineer Schram expressed optimism that the M-96 Lining project will be completed by June 16.


ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021 1:30 P.M.

Submitted for approval


Jimmy Stoneburner – Secretary