

MINUTES OF THE January 16, 2023, 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, Jeff Sorensen, Barry Bower, and Christina Hutchings. Also present were Executive Director John Crumb, Executive Assistant Heather Mezo, Attorney Catherine Kaufman, Field Superintendent Aaron Grogg, Water Superintendent Bill Bresson, Engineer Paul Schram, SCSWA Frank LaPierre and a few area residents.

REVIEW AND SET THE AGENDA

Motion

Sorensen made the motion to set the agenda as amended. Motion was seconded by Stoneburner. **Motion carried**; **5 ayes**

HEAR THOSE PRESENT:

• A few residents spoke.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Hutchings made the motion to remove the 12261 Sherman Lk Dr correspondence. Motion was seconded by Stoneburner.

Motion carried; all ayes

Discussion regarding the correspondence took place.

Sorensen made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion was seconded by Stoneburner.

Motion carried; all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Closed Session:

At 1:38 pm. Sorensen moved that the Authority Board convene in closed session under section 8(1)(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 January 16, 2023, for the reason that the letter is exempt from disclosure under State law due to the attorney-client privilege.

Roll Call Vote: Stoneburner-aye; Sorensen-aye; Harma-aye; Hutchings-aye; Bower-aye

Motion carried

The Board resumed open session at 2:16 p.m.

A motion was made by Sorensen and seconded by Stoneburner to accept the Attorney's recommendation to authorize the Attorney Kaufman and Director Crumb to work together.

Roll Call Vote: Stoneburner-aye; Sorensen-aye; Harma-aye; Hutchings-aye; Bower-aye

<u>Motion carried</u>

2023 Equipment Fees

Motion

Stoneburner made the motion to approve the 2023 Equipment & Fee Schedule. Motion was seconded by Sorensen.

Motion carried; all ayes,

Kellogg Community Credit Union Account

Motion

Sorensen made the motion to approve the opening of an account at Kellogg Community Credit Union. Motion was seconded by Hutchings.

Motion carried; all ayes.

Advia Credit Union Account

Motion

Sorensen made the motion to approve the change in operating account to Advia Credit Union. Motion was seconded by Hutchings.

Motion carried; all ayes.

Ability to obtain information and Communicate with the Banks.

Motion

Sorensen made the motion to approve Heather Mezo the ability to obtain information without making changes to the Banking institutions as listed PNC, Advia Community Credit Union, Kellogg Community Credit Union, Consumers Credit Union. Motion was seconded by Hutchings.

Motion carried; all ayes.

M-96 Pipe Rehab Invoice

Motion

Stoneburner made the motion to allow the Director to negotiate the final invoice amount. Motion was seconded by Bower.

Motion carried; all ayes.

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The Authority has received a few FOIA's in the last month. The Authority has been processing them with the help of the attorney. One FOIA has been issued and one has had a deposit paid and documents are currently being collected.

OLD BUSINESS: On Going

Sherman Lake Project Update

Discussion

The electrical contractor is working on putting the disconnects on the outside of houses. For easy connection in the spring.

Summons

Discussion

The Authority received notice that they are included in a lawsuit with a home on Gull Lake. In-house counsel and the insurance company have been notified. The Authority has been assigned an attorney through the insurance company and engaging when necessary.

Bank Stabilization by NW Corner of Pole Barn

Discussion

Engineer Schram finalized plans and will be sending them to the contractor. The Authority expects work to start early 2023. Waiting for final cost proposal and time frame.

9638 W Gull Lake Dr

Discussion

Sewer main relocation is pending revisions on addition. The Director will need to sign EGLE permit

A-1 Mechanical and A1 Asphalt Outstanding Invoices

Discussion

Attorney Catherine Kaufman to write a letter to A-1 Mechanical requesting restitution. The letter was issued Jan. 9, 2023. Attorney Catherine Kaufman is working a letter to A1 Asphalt.

CLOSING COMMENTS

No closing comments.

ADJOURN.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY, February 13, 2022, 1:30 P.M.

Submitted for approval

Jimmy Stoneburner – Secretary