

The Santa Claus Waterworks Board met in regular session on August 13, 2019, at the Santa Claus Town Hall located at 90 N Holiday Blvd Santa Claus, In 47579.

The meeting was called to order by President, Scot Elliott at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Stephen Leiberling, Frank Fowler, Scot Elliott, Theresa Hartwig & Vern Gassen

Also, Present: Working Supervisor; Chris Glenn, Clerk-Treasurer; Kelly Greulich.

MINUTES:

Frank Fowler made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2019 regular monthly meeting as written and Theresa Hartwig seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

Stephen Leiberling made a motion to approve the July vouchers in the amount of \$ 125,071.32 and Theresa Hartwig seconded the motion. The voucher packet was sent out on August 13, 2019 for review due to the clerk's office not receiving invoices prior to the meeting.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: None

WATERBOARD PRESIDENT:

Scot Elliott

July reports were emailed out prior to the meeting, are there any questions concerning the reports.

July Water Operational Report shows \$ 300,000.00 in revenue which includes the \$ 100,000.00 from the County. The water plant made a lot of water in July.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Meter Project has three touch read meters to install and Phases 1 will be completed. Chris Glenn has asked for additional funds to purchase more meters. The board decided to put additional meter purchasing on hold until at least October to see how the expenses are vs the budget.

Chris Glenn stated that superintendent Russ Luthy is currently working on an agreement for the Well Pump Maintenance and quotes should go out soon. Plan on quotes being opened at the September meeting.

Scot Elliott stated in 2013 Midwestern Engineers did an analysis and gave the water board recommendations. If the water board would issue debt with SRF a new requirement is an assets management plan, Elliott stated he contacted John Wetzel of Midwestern Engineers and has set up an informational meeting only for August 20, 2019 at 2:30 pm at the water admin building. Kelly Greulich will look up the cost Midwest charged the town for the analysis in 2013 and report back to the board.

Stephen Leiberling stated the wholesale customers should be contacted and asked for a list of future projects so the water board can plan accordingly.

ON GOING BUSINESS PER BUDGET:

2020 Budget Information-

Scot Elliott stated on the expense the town is looking at a possible 20% increase in health insurance cost, 10% increase in pay for employees. The town council has discussed adding a town manager at a cost to be split three ways between general, water & wastewater. The water department cost for the town manager would be about \$ 36,000.00 a very large expense in the 2020 budget.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Scot Elliott stated the audit conducted by Karla Goodman Field Inspector for IDEM has been sent a letter in response to the deficiencies noted during the audit, items have been rectified and pictures were enclosed with

the letter. Patoka had a leak which affected our customers on August 3, 2019. All of Santa Claus customers were put on a boil advisory.

Chris Glenn stated alternating the well pumps is working well, manganese is good. There will be a planned boil advisory for subdivisions 4 & 9 in Christmas Lake Village on September 23, 2019 to repair a line.

5-YEAR & 10 YEAR PLAN TO STAY ON AGENDA

5-year maintenance items are as follows.

1. Completion of the Meter Project
2. Long term replacement plan for old meters
3. Replace of hydrants
4. Long term replacement plan of older hydrants
5. Replacements of non-working valves
6. Long term replacement and addition of valves
7. Upgrading the booster stations
8. Water tower inspections and rehab if needed

10-year Capital Plan

1. Replacement of Mariah Hill water tower or addition
2. 3rd water well
3. Additional treatment capacity
4. 12” line from water plant to Holiday Village and Holiday World tower
5. Additional line loops
6. Leak detection/prevention
7. Backflow prevention

VOUCHERS:

Frank Fowler made a motion to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$ 144,988.98 and Stephen Leiberling seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to come before the Waterworks Board, Frank Fowler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm and Theresa Hartwig seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

The next Water Board meeting will be held on September 10, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

Scot Elliott, President

Frank Fowler, Vice President

Stephen Leiberling, Member

Vern Gassen, Member

Theresa Criss-Hartwig, Member

ATTEST:

Kelly K. Greulich Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Santa Claus