March 12, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Department of Water Works was called to order at 7:00 P.M., on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, in the Main Office of the Department of Water Works, 532 Franklin Street.

A quorum was present with the following Board members in attendance: Mr. Ken Behrendt, Ms. Diane Gonzales, Mr. Davis Bush, Mrs. Beth Pishkur and Mrs. Carla Mock. Also present was Superintendent Chris Johnsen. Mr. Behrendt presided.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Pishkur, seconded by Mrs. Mock, the minutes of the February 25, 2025 regular Board meeting were approved as written.

The list of 9 purchase orders was presented to the Board. Upon a motion by Mrs. Pishkur, seconded by Ms. Gonzales, the list of 9 purchase orders was approved by the Board.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Pishkur, seconded by Ms. Gonzales, the Approval of Claims dated March 11, 2025 was approved.

Upon a motion by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mrs. Mock the Bad Debt List dated March 11, 2025 is to be written off for bookkeeping purposes only.

Superintendent Johnsen presented a revised memo to the Board requesting to extend the water main to serve the INDOT Rest Area on West-Bound I-94. INDOT intends to pay 100% of the main material and installation costs as a reimbursable expense, as well as the engineering. Superintendent Johnsen recommends authoring Attorney Barry McDonnell to develop a reimbursement agreement with INDOT. Upon a motion by Mrs. Mock, seconded by Mr. Bush, the Board approved Superintendent Johnsen's recommendation.

Superintendent Johnsen presented a memo to the Board for a water main extension to service a proposed home site on Roeske Ave., South of Whippoorwill Ave. Superintendent Johnsen presented two water main extension options as there is no water mains fronting the land, so the developer will be required to extend water main along the frontage of the property. It is Superintendent Johnsen's recommendation to extend from the existing 12-inch main at White Oak and Roeske, along the undeveloped Gardena right-of-way to tie into the existing 6-inch main on Roeske and it would be quoted as a 50/50 split between the Developer and the Department. Upon a motion by Mrs. Pishkur, seconded by Ms. Gonzales, the Board approved Superintendent Johnson's recommendation.

Under old business:

- Superintendent Johnsen requested permission to authorize Haas & Associates to provide construction inspection for the US 20 extension at their hourly rates, not to exceed $48,000. This amount will be added to PO 2025000414. Upon a motion by Ms. Gonzales, seconded by Mr. Bush the Board approved the rate.
- Superintendent Johnsen informed the Board that he will be attending the Board of Works meeting on Monday to request the shutdown on Franklin Street.

Under new business:

- Superintendent Johnsen requested permission to sponsor a table at the Mayor's Charitable Gala on April 11, 2025. Upon a motion by Mr. Bush, seconded by Mrs. Pishkur the Board approved sponsorship.
- Superintendent Johnsen updated the Board about personnel changes that have occurred.

There was no public comment.

There was no Directors comment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon a motion by Mrs. Pishkur, seconded by Ms. Gonzales, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

K. Behrendt
President

Beth Pishkur
Secretary