

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING

January 28, 2013

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Board Vice President Roberts called the regular meeting of the Utilities Service Board to order at 5:02 p.m. The meeting was held in the Utilities Service Board room at the City of Bloomington Utilities Department Administrative Building in Bloomington, Indiana.

Board members present: Julie Roberts, Sam Frank, Pedro Roman, Jeff Ehman, John Whikehart, and ex-officio members Tim Mayer, and Tom Micuda. Staff members present: Patrick Murphy, John Langley, Tamera Robinson Roberts, Michael Horstman, Jon Callahan, Jane Fleig, Mike Hicks, and Phil Peden.

Others present: Sue Mayer.

MINUTES

Board member Roman moved and Board member Ehman seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 14th meeting. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Swafford and Whikehart).

PAYABLE CLAIMS

Board member Ehman moved and Board member Roman seconded the motion to approve the claims as follows:

Vendor invoices submitted to the controller's Office on January 23rd included \$2,242,839.96 from the Water Utility; \$90,215.11 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$3,153.00 from the Wastewater/Storm water Utility. Total Claims approved, \$2,336,208.07.

Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Swafford and Whikehart).

CLAIMS

Board member Roman moved and Board member Ehman seconded the motion to approve the claims as follows:

Vendor invoices submitted to the controller's Office on January 23rd included \$952,425.86 from the Water Utility; \$25,524.52 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Wastewater/Storm water Utility. Total Claims approved, \$977,951.38.

Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Swafford and Whikehart).

Wire transfers and fees for the month of October:

Board member Ehman moved and Board member Roman seconded the motion to approve the wire transfers and fees for the month of October in the amount of \$331,255.04.

Motion carried, 6 ayes, 1 member absent, (Swafford).

APPROVAL OF A REVISED INDUSTRIAL WASTE PERMIT FOR BAXTER PHARMACEUTICAL SOLUTIONS, LLC:

Pretreatment Coordinator Robinson-Roberts said the EPA has a requirement that all of Utilities' pretreatment permits be updated for all the significant industrial users by the end of February. Baxter and Hall Signs are the first two. The USB had approved rule changes for the sewage ordinance, the emergency response plan, and local limits, last December. These permits have been updated to reflect those changes. Baxter has an additional location for their categorical standards for research, and two additional monitoring locations have been added for local limits. The local limits are all new for them except mercury. Hall Signs does metal finishing so they have had a lot of local limits for metals prior to this, but they have added one additional location and all the local limits at it.

Board member Roman asked if Ms. Robinson Roberts had been satisfied with the cooperation of the industries. She said she had. They had been pleased with the permits and didn't ask for many changes.

Board member Ehman moved, and board member Roman seconded the motion to approve the revised Industrial Waste Permit for Baxter Pharmaceutical Solutions. Motion carried, 6 ayes, 1 member absent, (Swafford).

APPROVAL OF A REVISED INDUSTRIAL WASTE PERMIT FOR HALL SIGNS, INC.:

Ms. Robinson-Roberts said they are adding all the local limits they have not already been sampling for. They already sample for the metals.

Board member Ehman moved and board member Roman seconded the motion to approve the revised Industrial Waste Permit for Hall Signs, Inc. Motion carried, 6 ayes, 1 member absent, (Swafford).

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was presented.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no subcommittee meetings.

STAFF REPORTS:

Utilities Director Murphy said the staff has been working with Crowe Horwath, and with Bose McKinney. In two weeks Jennifer Wilson, from Crowe Horwath, will come to present some background information about refinancing sewer bonds. They are saying that given the opportunity Utilities should consider refinancing some of the issuances. This would not change the length of the issuance, there are 10 years remaining. It would lower the interest rate, which could save about \$100,000 a year from the sewer utility. Because this involves a bond issuance it would have to be approved by the City Council. If the USB passes a resolution authorizing that, it would then go to the Council. This could happen in two to four weeks.

Board member Banach asked they make sure to include all their costs, legal costs, everything that could be a part of this, in their presentation. Mr. Murphy said he believes everything has been factored in, but he will confirm that in the interim.

Board member Roman said he did not think a Finance Subcommittee meeting would be necessary.

Utilities Director Murphy said he would hypothetically like to get the refinancing done by the end of April, or sooner. The year end financing from 2012 hasn't been closed out yet, and that information is necessary for the analysis.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no petitions or communications.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Julie Roberts, Vice President