

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING

September 8, 2015

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Board President Swafford called the regular meeting of the Utilities Service Board to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Utilities Service Board room at the City of Bloomington Utilities Administrative Building in Bloomington, Indiana.

Board members present: Tom Swafford, Sam Frank, Jim Sims, Jason Banach, Amanda Burnham and Tim Mayer, ex-officio. Staff members present: Patrick Murphy, Kim Alexander, Efrat Feferman, John Langley, Nolan Hendon, Jon Callahan, Nancy Axsom, Tom Axsom, Chris Wheeler, and Jane Fleig.

MINUTES

Board Member Banach moved and Board Member Burnham seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the August 24th meeting. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Roberts, Ehman).

CLAIMS

Board Member Frank moved and Board Member Burnham seconded the motion to approve the claims as follows:

Vendor invoices submitted to the Controller's Office on September 2 included \$242,159.02 from the Water Utility; \$132,925.63 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$5,615.61 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$380,700.26.

Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Roberts, Ehman).

Board Member Frank moved and Board Member Burnham seconded the motion to approve the claims as follows:

Utility invoices submitted to the Controller's Office on August 26 included \$2,967.70 from the Water Utility; \$1,986.35 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$4,954.05.

Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Roberts, Ehman).

Wire transfers and fees for the month of August:

Board Member Frank moved and Board Member Burnham seconded the motion to approve the wire transfers and fees for the month of August in the amount of \$380,262.94.

Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Roberts, Ehman).

Board Member Frank moved and Board Member Burnham seconded the motion to approve the customer refunds as follows:

Customer refunds submitted to the Controller's Office on August 31 included \$11.73 from the Water Utility; \$1,668.59 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$1,680.32.

Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Roberts, Ehman).

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF BAXTER COOLING TOWER EVAPORATION CREDIT MOU

Board Member Frank moved and Board Member Burnham seconded the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Baxter and CBU as follows:

Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 members absent, (Roberts, Ehman).

Director Patrick Murphy explained the request and introduced Nancy Axsom to bring it forward to the Board. Director Murphy noted that CBU has other agreements similar to this one (e.g., Print Pack and IU). The agreements vary in length from customer to customer. This agreement with Baxter is for three years. He also noted that there is a credit that is applied to the specific tower; it is not for the entire wastewater bill.

Nancy Axsom, Project Coordinator for New Services, addressed the Board after Mr. Murphy. President Swafford asked for more information about how these conclusions and percentages were arrived at in the agreement. Ms. Axsom stated that the fill and bleed lines at the cooling tower were metered. CBU receives a percentage of what Baxter bleeds off of the system compared to what goes into the system. In this case it was approximately 15%; it is policy to double that percentage so that any malfunctions can be accounted for in the system. This represents a 70% credit to Baxter, based on the cooling tower fill meter. She confirmed that this is only for the cooling tower, it has nothing to do with the plant or anything else.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

N/A

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

N/A

STAFF REPORTS:

Director Murphy reported that staff has been working on construction projects and that there have been no major main breaks since the last meeting. The rush season of the new school year with turn-ons and disconnects is behind us.

Director Murphy also reported on the water stations that are being provided to IU Athletics for the football games this season. He noted that one of our staff members built an attractive new water station, and plans to show it to the Board in the future. He has instructed staff to build a second station.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

N/A

ADJOURNMENT:

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

L. Thomas Swafford, President