

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING

July 24, 2017

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Board President Frank 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: Sam Frank, Jim Sherman, Jason Banach, Amanda Burnham, Julie Roberts, Jim Sims, and Terri Porter (ex-officio).

Staff members present: Chris Wheeler, Brad Schroeder, Nancy Axsom, Phil Peden, Mike Hicks, Tom Axsom, Jon Callahan, John Langley, Holly McLaughlin, Efrat Feferman, and Vic Kelson.

MINUTES

Board Vice President Sherman moved and Board Member Burnham seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the July 10th meeting. Motion carried, 6 ayes, 1 member absent (Ehman).

CLAIMS

Sherman moved and Board Member Roberts seconded the motion to approve the standard claims as follows:

Vendor invoices submitted included \$121,623.22 from the Water Utility; \$66,869.08 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$3,450.43 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$191,942.73.

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

Sherman moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve the ACH payments as follows:

ACH invoices submitted included \$200,834.62 from the Water Utility; \$0.00 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$200,834.62.

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

Sherman moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve the utility claims as follows:

Utility invoices submitted included \$294.85 from the Water Utility; \$23,756.57 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$24,051.42.

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

Sherman moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve a second set of utility claims as follows:

Utility invoices submitted included \$6,181.62 from the Water Utility; \$19,747.38 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$25,929.00.

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

Sherman moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve the wire transfers and fees for the month of July in the amount of \$330,037.18.

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

Sherman moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve the customer refunds as follows:

Customer refunds submitted included \$674.93 from the Water Utility; \$62.81 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$737.74.

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

Sherman moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve the customer refunds as follows:

Customer refunds submitted included \$0.00 from the Water Utility; \$952.29 from the Wastewater Utility; and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved, \$737.74.

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

HYDRANT MAINTENANCE AND TESTING CONTRACT

Sherman moved and Roberts seconded the motion to approve contract for \$64,100.00; motion carried, 6 ayes, 1 member absent (Ehman).

CBU Assistant Director-Engineering Schroeder presented a contract with M.E. Simpson for hydrant maintenance and capacity testing. Half of the hydrants in the system, about 1,600, are to have routine maintenance at \$37 per hydrant; total sum is not to exceed \$59,200.00. One hundred hydrants are scheduled for capacity testing at \$49.00 per hydrant for a total not to exceed \$4,900.00. This is a contract for 2017 only because CBU is changing its approach and will no longer do the 3 year contracts for hydrants as was done in the past.

Four suppliers offered quotes for this contract. M.E. Simpson was the lowest as well as the supplier that has done this work for CBU for 8-10 prior years. Contract was approved.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: Finance subcommittee met for 1 hour prior to regular meeting. CBU Director Kelson and CBU Assistant Director-Finance Feferman presented a preliminary budget request for 2018. Another subcommittee meeting is scheduled for August 7th for members to ask questions and formulate a recommendation for full board.

STAFF REPORTS: Kelson reported that CBU sold water bonds. There were 4 competitive bids and the rate was lower than anticipated resulting in a rate increase of 20.06% as opposed to the 20.15% approved by the IURC. The \$4.6 million in bonds will support the Fullerton Pike project and the water main replacements as presented in the last USB meeting (July 10th).

Kelson also thanked staff for working overnight on the weekend to repair a 12 inch water main break on Clarizz & 3rd. Board also commended staff and brought up that crews sometimes work “in harm’s way”, such as roadwork at night. Frank brought up that statistics from the subcommittee budget presentation show that CBU takes safety seriously and will continue to make safety a priority in 2018.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Samuel K. Frank, President