

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING

April 29, 2019

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Board Vice President Sherman 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 Service Center 600 East Miller Drive, Bloomington, Indiana.

Board members present: Jim Sherman, Amanda Burnham, Jean Capler, Jeff Ehman, Sam Frank, and ex-officios Terri Porter and Jim Sims.

Staff members present: Michelle Waldon, Rebekah Fiedler, Chris Wheeler, James Hall, Cindy Shaw, Tom Axsom, Nolan Hendon, Phil Peden, Holly McLauchlin, and Vic Kelson.

MINUTES

Board member Capler moved and board member Ehman seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 15th meeting. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Banach, Roberts).

CLAIMS

Capler moved and Ehman seconded the motion to approve standard claims as follows:

Vendor invoices submitted included \$263,415.32 from the Water Utility, \$519,113.71 from the Wastewater Utility, and \$44,439.56 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved: \$826,968.59.

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

Capler moved and Ehman seconded the motion to approve the utility claims as follows:

Utility invoices submitted included \$13,312.23 from the Water Utility, \$37,083.29 from the Wastewater Utility, and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved: \$50,395.52.

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

Capler moved and Ehman seconded the motion to approve the wire transfers, fees, and payroll in the amount of \$358,866.50. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Banach, Roberts).

Capler moved and Ehman seconded the motion to approve customer refunds as follows:

Refunds submitted included \$15.84 from the Water Utility, \$522.23 from the Wastewater Utility, \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility, and \$0.00 from Sanitation. Total Claims approved: \$538.07.

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

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

CBU Director Kelson presented the following agreements recommended by staff for approval:

Bledsoe Riggert Cooper James - \$750.00 – Dillman Landfill Annual Topo Survey, ATC - \$4,295.65 – Wastewater Flow Monitoring, Suez - \$4,857.35 – Monroe Carbon Analyzer Service, EMT - \$2,500.00 – Transformer Service at substation, EMT - \$15,498.75 – Magneblast Primary breaker at DRWWTP. As they weren't removed from consent agenda by the Board, agreements approved.

PUBLIC BID OPENING FOR BLUCHER POOLE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AERATION BASIN IMPROVEMENTS

CBU Environmental Projects Coordinator Fiedler thanked the bidders and following bids were received by the deadline and opened at the meeting:

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| Mitchell & Stark | Medora IN | \$317,175.00 |
| Maddox Industrial | Indianapolis IN | \$365,930.00 |

Engineering will review the bids and recommend to award to lowest responsive bidder. Fiedler said the estimate for this project was \$230,000.00. Sherman noted there was a large difference.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH EMT

Capler moved and Ehman seconded the motion to approve amendment. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Roberts, Banach).

CBU Purchasing Manager Shaw presented an agreement with Electrical Maintenance and Testing for \$26,220.00 to replace 3 large breakers in the substation at Dillman Plant. Capler asked how many breakers altogether as there were 2 EMT agreements in the consent agenda. Shaw said this is a long-term project and CBU will continue to present agreements; there are 7 that are known to Shaw but there may be more.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF 5TH AMENDMENT WITH VET FOR GRIFFY

Capler moved and Ehman seconded the motion to approve amendment. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Roberts, Banach).

CBU Assistant Director (Environmental) Hall presented the 5th amendment to the agreement with VET for remediation at the decommissioned Griffy water treatment plant. This adds \$161,153.51 to the agreement, \$100,000 of which is for hazardous waste removal alone. Also for site report, groundwater sampling until the end of 2020, and VET's time discussing where hazardous waste should go. Sims asked for confirmation that there are now approved sites for disposal of all the waste. Sherman pointed out an error on the cover memo; Wheeler with City Legal clarified the amount in the actual agreement is correct and the new total is \$922,430.11. Board member Burnham asked if CBU had any idea when the project would be finished. Hall said there was positive news from IDEM: the project manager had approved the plan and sent it on to IDEM's technical staff. They have until June 24th to respond and Hall anticipates Griffy will be torn down or sold by the end of the year.

OLD BUSINESS: Burnham asked for status of water station. Kelson responded that it is nearly complete and paved; it still needs fiber installation and software testing. He anticipates a May opening. Sherman thanked staff for being at Street Fair Sunday and reminded everyone that Kelson will be speaking at upcoming neighborhood association meetings: Sycamore Knolls and Hearthstone Village.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

STAFF REPORTS: Kelson also mentioned that many staff members participated in the Street Fair and there was interest from the public about CBU projects. CBU is sending a team to the Indiana Wastewater Challenge with members from both wastewater plants, the lab, and T&D. The winning team will go to the National competition. CBU is preparing the preliminary 2020 budget for submittal to the Controller's office this week. The MAyor announced last Monday the waste energy task force which includes Kelson, other City staff, county, IU, and others. This first phase will look at the technical possibilities for turning sludge from the Dillman plant and food waste into fuel for buses or Dillman operations. Sherman asked if board members had been considered; Kelson said at this point it is a technical working group. Sims asked what needs to be done to vehicles so they can accept this type of fuel. Kelson said retrofitting is not typical; phasing in new vehicles as fleet is replaced is the way it would be done. Capler asked for more details on natural gas carbon emissions versus gasoline. Kelson said he does not know the ratios at this point but the task force will investigate. Hall mentioned that the residential stormwater grant applications are due Wednesday. So far there are 11 applications for \$41,000.00. Ehman said there were 28 letters of intent and Hall said Kelsey had visited all of those sites and they expected more applications.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Capler moved to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

Julie Roberts, President

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