

## UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING

06/21/2021

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Board President Capler called the regular meeting of the Utilities Service Board to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held via Zoom and Facebook Live.

**Board members present:** Jean Capler, Jeff Ehman, Megan Parmenter, Julie Roberts, Jim Sherman, Kirk White, and Scott Robinson (ex officio).

**Board members absent:** Amanda Burnham, Jim Sims (ex officio)

**Staff present:** Tom Axsom, James Hall, Nolan Hendon, Laura Pettit, Brandon Prince, Brad Schroeder, LaTreana Teague, and Chris Wheeler.

**Guests present:** B Square Beacon, Sam Dove.

### MINUTES

***Capler moved to table the meeting minutes from 6/7/2021 due to its omission from the meeting packet. The motion received a roll call vote: Capler-yes, Parmenter-yes, Ehman-yes, Sherman-yes, Roberts-yes. The motion passed.***

### CLAIMS

***Roberts moved, and Parmenter seconded the motion to approve the standard claims:*** Vendor invoices submitted included \$177,782.65 from the Water Utility, \$14,240.00 from the Water Construction Fund, \$144,433.97 from the Wastewater Utility, \$94,113.79 from the Wastewater Construction Fund, \$1,100.00 from the Wastewater Sinking Fund, and \$7,903.36 from the Stormwater Utility.

***The motion received a roll call vote: Parmenter-yes, Ehman-yes, Roberts-yes, White-yes, Capler-yes, Sherman-yes. Total Claims approved: \$439,573.77.***

***Roberts moved, and Parmenter seconded the motion to approve the utility claims:*** Utility invoices submitted included \$115,407.11 from the Water Utility and \$70,923.73 from the Wastewater Utility.

***The motion received a roll call vote: Ehman-yes, White-yes, Roberts-yes, Sherman-yes, Parmenter-yes, Capler-yes. Total Claims approved: \$186,330.84.***

***Roberts moved, and Parmenter seconded the motion to approve the wire transfers, fees, and payroll in the amount of \$379,179.24. The motion received a roll call vote: White-yes, Ehman-yes, Sherman-yes, Roberts-yes, Parmenter-yes, Capler-yes. The motion passed.***

***Roberts moved, and Parmenter seconded the motion to approve the customer refunds:*** Customer refunds submitted included \$9.71 from the Water Fund and \$23.10 from the Wastewater Fund.

***The motion received a roll call vote: Roberts-yes, Ehman-yes, White-yes, Parmenter-yes, Capler-yes, Sherman-yes. Total Claims approved: \$32.81.***

## CONSENT AGENDA

CBU Assistant Director-Environmental Programs Hall presented the following items recommended by staff for approval:

- B.L.Anderson, Co., Inc., \$3,230.00, Annual flow meter calibrations for Monroe WTP.
- ATC Group Services, LLC., \$4,403.08, Groundwater statistical analysis for Dillman landfill.
- Snedegar Construction, Inc., \$10,000.00/year, On-Call Services for dump truck, bore machine, and excavator.
- Arus Andritz-Ruthner, Inc., \$0, First Amendment to extend the life of the agreement for work on the Komline Belt presses at Blucher Poole WWTP.
- George E. Booth Co., Inc., \$600.00, Flow monitor testing at the Southeast Booster Station.
- Black & Veatch Corp., \$7,760.00, Update cost estimates for the Capital Improvements Plan to support the water rate case.
- Springfield Electric Supply Co., dba Valley Electric Supply, \$4,100.00, Repair the #1 Square D Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) and run diagnostics on the #3 VFD at the Dillman Pump Station

Board member White requested the Snedegar Construction item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

**The Board approved the remaining agreements. Total contracts approved: \$11,962.27.**

## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH SNEDEGAR CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR ON-CALL SERVICES

White asked if the contract amount included a certain amount of work hours or if an hourly rate is paid in addition to that. City Attorney Wheeler answered if there is a need for a dump truck, bore machine, or excavator, the contract has laid the groundwork for what that cost would be per hour, dependent on the machine used. In addition, it is a renewable agreement for three additional one-year periods. Each of those periods would be for \$10,000.

***White moved, and Roberts seconded to approve the on-call agreement with Snedegar Construction. The motion received a roll call vote: Parmenter-yes, Capler-yes, Ehman-yes, Sherman-yes, White-yes, Roberts-yes.***

## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH CORROSION TECHNOLOGIES, INC.– FIRST AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL WORK TO REPAIR BULK STORAGE TANK AT MONROE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Assistant Director-Operations Axsom presented a First Amendment for \$12,127.00 to repair one of the large fiberglass sodium hypochlorite tanks at Monroe WTP.

Ehman asked if this is standard maintenance. Axsom said there was corrosion inside the tank, that the fiberglass was flaking off, which is the reason for repair.

***Roberts moved, and Parmenter seconded to approve the agreement with Corrosion Technologies.***

***The motion received a roll call vote: Roberts-yes, Sherman-yes, Parmenter-yes, White-yes, Capler-yes, Ehman-yes. The motion passed.***

Capler announced to the public to leave questions and comments via the CBU Facebook page during the live stream or the Zoom chat to be read later during Petitions and Communications.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Hall reported to the board new CBU employees and employee transfers. Clayton Rains, formerly a T&D Laborer, is now a Utilities Technician in the Engineering department. Hunter Hollingsworth, previously a T&D Laborer, is now a Lineperson. New CBU employee Jason Lasher is a Wastewater Plant Operator at Dillman WWTP, and Logan Scheiber is the new Water Quality intern.

Board member Sherman asked if flooding from the weekend caused any problems. Axsom said the water got high at Dillman and had to pump up to the equalization basin (EQ). The EQ is a separate basin just to the north of the Dillman plant across Clear Creek. The water came out of the creek and got into the drying beds, but everything went well at the plants.

Capler said she heard questions from the public about how we had the Big Dig Project a couple of years ago and that the project was to take care of flooding in downtown Bloomington. Schroeder said the project was the first set of increasing the size of the main culvert of the Hidden River, which goes through Dawn Meadow and into Clear Creek. That raised the capacity, but there are still sections downstream that are undersized, and the current Hidden River project is trying to address this.

Capler asked how much of a factor was clogged drains into the stormwater system. Assistant Director-T&D Prince answered there were crews of nine people out on Saturday and ten on Sunday to address the storm, and they primarily did not see a clog issue. It did become a bit of an issue when the water began to recede, so they cleaned a lot of inlets in those two days. Most of it came on Sunday. Several lift stations addressed power outages, and there were sanitary sewer issues and a mix of everything on Saturday. They did not see how clogged inlets contributed to the flooding.

Roberts said that in 2008 there was a "500-year flood" and asked what the flow was in 2008 compared to recent flooding. Hall said that while he did not know how this flood compared to 2008, it was just over seven inches in a little over 24 hours. There was a bulk of over four inches in just a couple of hours.

Board member Ehman said this information would be useful for modeling and understanding the system's capacity both now and later when fully completed and understanding exactly what type of events the system will or will not handle.

Ehman asked what the EQ's capacity was and how many gallons were pumped there this past weekend? Axsom answered the EQ is full. Schroeder said the EQ holds 40-45 million gallons. Ehman asked if it is full, did something escape the system?

Schroeder answered that part of the process is to report it to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management as far as the sewage goes. It comes out in the storm sewer

overflow, so it would not have topped the EQ basin because they manage that, and they would start letting it go through the plant before they would let it go over the top of the basin.

White asked how much progress was made in infiltration in the past and how much it contributed to the stress on the sanitary system with stormwater going into the sanitary system.

Schroeder said that we do a sizable sewer lining budget every year within the last five years, which is the main thing we are doing for infiltration. For example, in 2018, we completed the south-central interceptor that went through Switchyard Park that addressed many of the overflows.

Capler thanked the staff who worked to mitigate the effects of the storm.

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Roberts moved to adjourn; the meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm.

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Jean Capler, President

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