

OSCEOLA WATER BOARD

July 17, 2013

The Osceola Water Board met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at 5:30 P.M. This being the time and place as legally posted, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Ryan Rychnovsky with the following Board Members present: MacKenzie O'Hair, and Alisha Crawford. Board member Dave Neas and Bill Freeman were absent. Also present were Superintendent Brandon Patterson, Utility Office Manager Carrie Benda, Juan & Maribel Torres and others not signed in.

When Chairman Ryan Rychnovsky called for the opportunity for citizens to address the board about items not on the agenda, no one appeared.

Water Superintendent, Brandon Patterson opened the discussion regarding the sale of 122 East Ayers Street by stating that three bids were received. Mr. Patterson opened the bids in the order they were received in. The first bid was from Emanuel Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$15,000.00, the second from Chesnut Lawn & Landscape in the amount of \$38,222.56 and the third from Bud Jones Construction Inc. in the amount of \$70,555.00. The bid received from Bud Jones Construction Inc. was subject to selling their building at 1827 Tieken Drive. Discussion was held. The board felt that it was in their best interest to table the decision until the August meeting to discuss their options with a full board. No action was taken.

Utility Office Manager, Carrie Benda opened the discussion regarding the resolution providing reduction of interest rate for water revenue bond by stating that currently we have an outstanding bond from May 2002 that bears an interest rate of 3.00% and the lender has reduced the interest rate on the bond to 1.75% from June 1, 2013. Mrs. Benda presented the resolution for approval which would allow for the reduction of interest rate and stated that this would save the community \$167,412.00. After discussion was held, board member Crawford motioned approval of the resolution providing for reduction of interest rate for water board revenue and O'Hair seconded the motion. Roll call of the vote was;

Ayes: Crawford, O'Hair, Rychnovsky

Nays: None

Absent: Neas, Freeman

Motion Passed

Resolution 2013-07

Water Superintendent, Brandon Patterson opened the discussion regarding the employee manual sections one through three. After discussion was held, the board decided to table this topic until the next meeting for discussion with a full board.

Water Superintendent, Brandon Patterson opened the discussion regarding the easement request with U.S. Cellular by stating that we have a lease in place and this request is to add a cabinet onto the equipment pad that is already there. Mr. Patterson continued by stating the original lease was drawn up based on the equipment needed. After discussion was held, the board requested to table this until the next meeting. Also requested was a copy of the original lease and more clarification to make their decision. No action was taken.

Water Superintendent, Brandon Patterson opened the discussion regarding the shared water service at 531 North Main and 114 East Garfield by stating that he had issued a copy of the rules and regulations, section 16-B to the homeowners and has completed research in the minute books and cannot find where the rules had changed. Mr. Patterson also stated that he spoke with City Administrator/Clerk Ty Wheeler who stated that the sewer rules were the same and that he would clarify this with the city staff. Mr. Patterson concluded by stating that at the last meeting, Mrs. Musselman did not feel she should be responsible for the flagging part of the bill. Mrs. Torres stated that she felt that the homeowner's should be responsible for half of the bill and the Water

Works the other half. After discussion was held, it was decided that the current rules and regulations that were in place were not clear. Board member Crawford motioned to have Osceola Water Works pay one half totaling \$622.77 of the Bud Jones Construction bill, invoice #10651C dated June 6, 2013 in the amount of \$1,245.54 and the remaining half of the bill totaling \$622.77 to be split by the homeowners at 531 North Main Street and 114 East Garfield. Board member O’Hair seconded the motion.

Ayes: Crawford, O’Hair, Rychnovsky

Nays: None

Absent: Neas, Freeman

Motion Passed

Water Superintendent Report: Brandon Patterson presented the pumpage report and stated that he had been receiving complaints regarding the taste and odor of the water. Mr. Patterson explained that we went from a drought to basically a flood in a matter of months. Also reported was that the copper sulfate used to treat the lake is not working as well as it has in the past. Mr. Patterson stated that because of the degraded water quality with the lake the chemical usage is increasing. Mr. Patterson stated that he is working to get the carbon changed out in the filters. The carbon is currently lasting one year instead of two years. Concluding his report, Mr. Patterson reported on the rate study and maintenance issues at the water plant and distribution systems.

Utility Office Manager, Carrie Benda presented the consent agenda which included the aging report, YTD budget and the following bills and claims.

AGSOURCE LABORATORIES	LAB TESTING	\$182.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$4,815.19
ALISHA CRAWFORD	COMPENSATION	\$75.00
BILL FREEMAN	COMPENSATION	\$75.00
CASEY’S GENERAL STORES	FUEL	\$140.27
CHEM-SULT	CHEMICALS	\$41,100.89
CR SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$181.16
CITY OF OSCEOLA	REIMBURSEMENT	\$13,755.04
CRESTON PUBLISHING	PUBLICATIONS	\$381.57
D & D PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	\$45.00
DAVE NEAS	COMPENSATION	\$75.00
FAREWAY	LAB SUPPLIES	\$33.28
HIGHWAY LUMBER	SUPPLIES	\$1,527.72
HYDRITE CHEMICAL CO.	CHEMICALS	\$1,803.60
IDEAL READY MIX	CONCRETE	\$402.00
IOWA DEPT OF NAT. RESOURCES	PERMIT	\$675.57
J P AUTO	SUPPLIES	\$8.37
LOGAN CONTRACTORS SUPPLY, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$85.76
MACKENZIE O’HAIR	COMPENSATION	\$75.00
MISCELLANEOUS VENDOR	DEPOSIT REFUNDS	\$1,024.80
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	PARTS	\$1,475.55
OSCEOLA FARM & HOME	SUPPLIES	\$19.88
OSCEOLA WATER WORKS	APPLY DEPOSITS	\$786.30
ROBINSONS CO.	SUPPLIES	\$91.66
RYAN RYCHNOVSKY	COMPENSATION	\$75.00
SEMINOLE ENERGY SERVICES	NATURAL GAS	\$208.72
STATE HYGENIC LABORATORY	LAB TESTING	\$168.00
SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	\$16.49
SUPERIOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES	SERVICES	\$2,800.00
WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATION	COMMUNICATION	\$192.76
ZEE MEDICAL INC.	LAB TESTING	\$46.70
ZIEGLER	EQUIPMENT	\$47,315.00

Board member Crawford motioned approval of the consent agenda and O’Hair seconded the motion.

Ayes: Crawford, O’Hair, Rychnovsky

Nays: None

Absent: Neas, Freeman

Motion Passed

Utility Office Manager Report: Carrie Benda gave an update on the software and discussion regarding the duties of a part time individual.

Board Member Reports: Alisha Crawford updated the board on how to contact her via e-mail.

There being no further business to discuss, board member Crawford motioned and O'Hair seconded adjournment at 7:30 p.m.

Ayes: Crawford, O'Hair, Rychnovsky

Nays: None

Absent: Neas, Freeman

Motion Passed

Attest:

Ryan Rychnovsky, Chairman

Carrie Benda, Deputy Clerk

Board approved 9-5-2013.