

ALLEN COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING*October 27, 2021

Citizen's Square, 200 East Berry Street, Room 035, Garden Level @ 12:00 p.m.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Zehr, President, called the Board meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

- Absent: Tom Roy. Board Members present were President: Ric Zehr, Vice-President: Kevin McDermit, Treasurer: Justin Brugger, Trustee: Matthew Wirtz, Tom Rotering, and Ex-Officio: Gary Chapple. ACRWSD Staff: Field Operations Manager: Scott Lee and Interim Office Managers Judy Gleason and Ashley Faurote. Support Staff: Andy Boxberger of Carson LLP. There were 06 visitors: Nathan Baggett of FWCU, Steve Miller of 4814 N. Webster Road (Platter Parkway), Chad Gillenwater of 14231 Clayton Rd., Daniel Watts, Mayor Joe Kelsey of Woodburn, Mitch Harper representing Allen County Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Mr. Wirtz made a motion to approve the September 22nd Board Minutes as distributed and reviewed. Mr. Brugger seconded the motion. **All ayes cast.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Ms. Gleason reviewed the October 2021 bills to be paid; bank balances summary. Mr. Brugger made a motion to approve and Mr. Rotering seconded the motion. **All ayes cast.**

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER AND PAYMENT

- Change Order #01** – Thieneman Construction, Inc. – Hoagland Regionalization – Contract "A" **(Increase)** \$ 498,490.00
Total Change Orders: \$ 498,490.00
- Payment Tab #15 – Thieneman Construction, Inc. – Hoagland Regionalization – Contract "A" \$ 348,015.50
Total Claims: \$ 348,015.50

Mr. Adams reviewed and recommended the Board approve Change Order #01 totaling \$498,490.00 and payment of \$348,105.50 to Thieneman Construction, Inc. Mr. Wirtz motioned to approve and Mr. McDermit seconded the motion. **All ayes cast.**

Mr. Adams noted that this project could go into 2022 as testing is still being performed and typically takes 90 days.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Reported by Mr. Lee – No Board Recommendations

COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Field Operations Committee: Reported by Mr. Lee – Committee Activity Report/ No Board Recommendation

Administrative Operations Committee: Reported by Mr. Brugger – Committee Activity Report/Board Recommendation

Mr. Brugger reviewed with the Board providing a \$200 wellness benefit to District employees that provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination. Mr. Brugger made a motion and Mr. Wirtz seconded the motion. **All ayes cast.**

PROJECT UPDATES: Reported by Mr. Adams – No Activity Report/No Board Recommendation

- Hoagland Regionalization

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At 12:10 pm Mr. Zehr opened the floor for public comments.

- Mr. Gillenwater of 14231 Clayton Rd. addressed the Board about his septic system. Mr. Lee to follow up with Mr. Gillenwater regarding next steps.
- Mayor Joe Kelsey of Woodburn addressed the Board regarding the \$5 million received by Allen County Regional Water and Sewer District and Fort Wayne City Utilities.
- Mr. Harper, Attorney for Allen County Council, addressed the Board regarding the Petition to IDEM.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Consideration of the Amended IDEM Petition
- Consideration of the Amendment to the Utility System Asset Acquisition Agreement

Mr. Boxberger reviewed the amended IDEM Petition (Appendix Q) and the status of the acquisition agreement with the Board.

Mr. Wirtz moved to approve Appendix Q and authorize the President to sign updated agreement and Mr. Rotering seconded the motion. **Motion Carried: 4 ayes, 1 nay, 1 absent**

- Connection Assistance Fund Account (CAP Program)

Mr. Boxberger reported back to the Board that the Connection Assistance Fund account would be transferred to Fort Wayne City Utilities as part of the agreement. Mr. Boxberger stated that Fort Wayne City Utilities has indicated that they will have a Connection Assistance Program.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Amended Purchase Agreement

Mr. Boxberger stated that this agenda item had been covered in Old Business.

- Non-Connect Sewer Penalty Fee - Waiver Request (Nguyen)

Mr. McDermit stated that the Field Operations Committee reviewed the request and determined that the fines could not be waived.

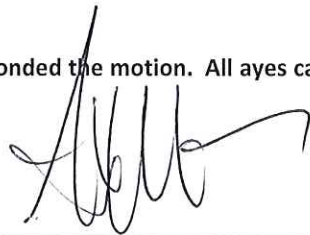
COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Wirtz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. McDermit seconded the motion. All ayes cast. The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Faurote, Interim Office Manager



Tim Roy, Secretary

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