

WATER BOARD MEETING**04/16/2019****6:00 P.M.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by board member, Robin Meyer.

Robn sited the Title VI Civil Rights Act of 1964 and survey.

Roll Call:

Present –Robin Meyer, Tony Higginbotham, Frank Massey, Ryan Maddux

Absent – Chuck Storie (in at 6:04 pm)

Minutes: The minutes from the March 19, 2019 and the April 9, 2019 meetings were approved.

New Business:**1. HNTB -WTP Update/Darren Burkhart**

- Darren presented the board a “Bid Recommendation Letter” and the official “Tabulation of Bids” from the seven bids that were received at the April 9th Special Water Board meeting. Darren commented that bids 1-5 were very competitive and that the bids were roughly 7% above the engineers estimate.
- HNTB has worked with the low bidder, F A Wilhelm and has no concerns with them or their subs.
- Darren requested the board sign all three copies of the tentative award letter, which is subject to funding approval.
- A pre-construction meeting will be held after the notice to proceed, possibly sometime in June.
- Darren hopes to have the contracts for the contractor as well as construction & inspection engineering at next months meeting.

Tony made motion to approve the Tentative Award Letter, Frank seconded, roll call vote all ayes and the motion carried.

- 2. Baker-Tilly (formerly Umbaugh) Water Rate Discussion** – Andre Riley distributed and discussed updated water rate reports with the board. Mr. Riley stated the bids came in a little over the engineers estimates but stayed within the maximum borrowing authority that was passed in the Bond Ordinance at the April 1st Council meeting; we are at the maximum borrowing amount of \$22,715,000. Andre said the increase on an average residential customer of 533 cubic feet will be \$3.24 upon passage, phase II \$2.84 & phase III \$2.07. Due to State Revolving Loan regulations, in order to issue debt, you must have rates sufficient to issue debt; the rate ordinance lists the approved rate as well as the effective rate that shows and includes the TIF credit and went on to say we would look at the rates again in 2021. Ryan asked what will happen after the TIF contribution ends in three years; Andre’s response was the first 3-year pledge is from the County TIF, the City is pledging \$500,000 a year of TIF monies over the following 18 years. After required notices of a public hearing are sent, published, and the objection period has passed, the public hearing will be 4/29/2019 at 7:00 pm; if there are no objections there will be a second reading and passage of the Water Rate Ordinance (2019-11) by the Council. This is a pooled bond; once the State sells the bonds, we will know the rate and once the loan is closed the construction can proceed, the closing should be around May 22nd. Robin commented on the graph that shows that we are in good shape compared to our surrounding communities. Andre commented it is good practice to look at rates often and congratulated Utility Management for staying on top of their rates and keeping up with the utility assets.

- 3. Mayors Authorization to sign deed** – City Attorney Chris Tebbe stated Surveyor Andy Scholle is surveying water plant property, where the new water plant will be built, to combine all properties into one parcel. In doing so Mr. Scholle came across deeds from 1978 listed as Greensburg Municipal Water Works. In order to combine the properties, two parcels need Quit Claim Deeds to put all the properties into the same name; The City of Greensburg. Donna checked to make sure there are no obligations to keep the property titled as Greensburg Municipal Water Works and there wasn’t.
- Motion was made by Chuck and seconded by Tony to allow Mayor Dan Manus sign the deeds, all ayes and motion carried.**

4. **Mower** – Rick presented two quotes, he requested three, for a new zero turn lawn mower. He is trading in a 2015 John Deere which has 1300 hours on it.

- John Deere/Koenig Equipment \$6,449.00
- Kubota/Stone’s Farm Service \$5,968.93
- Miller Equipment no bid

Rick said they tried out the Kubota, which has been redesigned and sits lower to the ground and commented it will work better on the banks they mow; both mowers seem to be comparing apples to apples.

Chuck made motion with Frank seconding to accept the low bid from Stone’s Farm Service; roll call vote all ayes and motion carried.

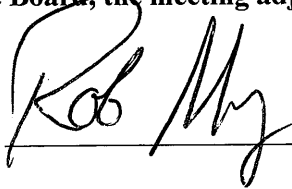
5. **CCR Approval** – The yearly Consumer Confidence Report (2018 Annual Water Quality Report) was presented. Rick said if it’s not listed (on the report) it doesn’t mean that we don’t test for it, it just means it was below detection level; the only things we have to list is what was detectible. The report was approved by the State and we had no violations last year. Donna will have it posted on the website and state the direct link on the water bills.


A motion to accept the report was made by Frank with Chuck seconding, all ayes and motion carried.

Mayor Issues – The Mayor is happy with the bonds and is ready to get the project going.

With nothing more to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.

Presiding Officer:





Respectfully Submitted:



Water Board Secretary