

NEWBERRY WATER & LIGHT BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 13, 2019

Present: Board members: Vincent, Brown, Dishaw, Medelis, Wendt.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Clerk -Schummer, Director of Human Resources & Community Engagement – Watkins, Lori Stokes, Larry LaCross, Dave Boyle

Call to Order: Chairperson Vincent called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Village of Newberry Offices, 302 East McMillan Avenue, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Brown, support by Dishaw, **CARRIED**, to approve agenda as presented. Ayes: All.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Dishaw, support by Brown, **CARRIED**, to approve minutes from the July 15, 2019 W&L meeting as written. Ayes: All. Moved by Medelis, support by Brown, **CARRIED**, to approve minutes from the August 6, 2019 W&L meeting/work session with one correction: line 2, word 11 - change 'maters' to 'meters'. Ayes: All.

Water and Light Chairperson Announcements: Vincent stated that at the last meeting someone from the public had a question regarding a surcharge. He said that he had no idea about a surcharge, but that the question might have to do with the replacement of lead pipes he stated, that it has been proposed to spread the cost of pipe replacement amongst all customers.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None.

Submission of Bills and Financial Updates:

A.) **Water & Light – Monthly Bills – July 2019** - Motion by Medelis, support by Brown, **CARRIED**, recommend Village Council pay the July Electric Fund bill in the amount of \$91,022.17. Discussion followed. Ayes: All. Motion by Brown, support by Dishaw, **CARRIED**, recommend Village Council pay the July Water Fund bill in the amount of \$4,763.40. Discussion followed. Ayes: All.

B.) **Christmas Light Fund** is currently at \$12,591.96. Discussion followed.

Petitions and Communications:

1.) Proposal for Water System Asset Management Plan Services.

a. OHM Advisors – Presentation by David Boyle and Larry LaCross. Question and answers followed the presentation. Moved by Brown, support by Dishaw, **CARRIED**, to recommend Village Council accept the OHM proposal. Ayes: All.

Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions:

1.) Ordinance A – Review edits from work session: Moved by Dishaw, support by Brown, **CARRIED**, to accept the edits made at the work session with one additional edit: A:1:1b – second paragraph, second sentence – reads: 'The customer member shall reside in the service area of the Newberry Water and Light Board and be a current customer'. Now would read: 'The customer member shall be located within the service area of the Newberry Water and Light Board and be a current customer'. Ayes: All. Discussed that a policy can define what 'customer' means.

Reports of Village Management:

1.) Superintendent of Water and Light: Joe Lively, working foreman, submitted a written report.

2.) Assistant Village Manager: Submitted charts.

3.) Village Manager: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

1.) Proposal for Water System Asset Management: addressed in Petition and Communications.

2.) Energy Adjustment Rate – July – December 2019: Moved by Brown, support by Medelis, **CARRIED**, to recommend Village Council accept the Energy Adjustment rate of \$0.017380 from \$0.016061. Ayes: All.

3.) Budget Amendments – Water and Electric Funds: Moved by Brown, support by Medelis, **CARRIED**, to approve the recommended budget amendments to pay the settlements costs of \$15,000.00. Ayes: Brown, Dishaw, Medelis, Wendt. Nays: Vincent.

Comments By Board Members: Medelis and Brown both stated, regarding the mandate on lead pipes, that they would like to see some sort of a credit given to the people who already replaced their pipes.

Adjourn Meeting: Motion by Brown, support by Dishaw, **CARRIED**, to adjourn meeting at 6:29 p.m. Ayes: All.

These minutes are unapproved until voted on at the next meeting.

Terese Schummer, Clerk

Lawrence Vincent, Chairperson