

NEWBERRY WATER & LIGHT BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 8, 2020
Electronic Public Meeting – Due to COVID-19 Virus
***NOTE – All votes were done by Roll Call Vote**

Present: Board members: Hendrickson, Schnorr, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt. All members called in from Newberry, MI.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Village Manager – Watkins, Clerk –Schummer and Joey Vincent - via Zoom – All called in from Newberry, MI.

Call to Order: Due to no Chairperson being seated at this time, Clerk Schummer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., using Zoom audio teleconferencing, permitted by Executive Order 2020-15, which temporarily authorizes remote participation in public meetings and hearings. Moved by Schnorr, support by Vincent, **CARRIED**, to appoint Kirby Wendt as Chairperson for the Water & Light Board. Ayes: Hendrickson, Schnorr, Stokes, Vincent. Abstain: Wendt.

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Vincent, support by Schnorr, **CARRIED**, to approve agenda as presented. Ayes: Hendrickson, Schnorr, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Schnorr, support by Vincent, **CARRIED**, to approve the minutes for the November 10, 2020 W&L meeting as presented. Ayes: Hendrickson, Schnorr, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt.

Water and Light Chairperson Announcements: None.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None.

Submission of Bills and Financial Updates:

A.) Water & Light – Monthly Bills – November 7 to December 4: - Motion by Stokes, support by Schnorr, **CARRIED**, recommend Village Council pay the November 7 to December 4, Electric Fund bill in the amount of \$69,135.50. Discussion followed. Ayes: Hendrickson, Schnorr, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt. Motion by Stokes, support by Schnorr, **CARRIED**, to recommend Village Council pay the November 7 to December 4, 2020 Water Fund bill in the amount of \$25,055.45. Ayes: Hendrickson, Schnorr, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt.

B.) Christmas Light Fund – Fund balance as of 10/31/2020 - \$14,673.33

Petitions and Communications: None.

Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions: None.

Reports of Village Management:

- 1.) Superintendent of Water and Light: W&L Superintendent Dan Kucinkas, submitted a written report and charts. Discussion followed.
- 2.) Village Manager: Watkins gave a verbal report. Discussion followed

Unfinished Business:

- 1.) Code of Conduct and Ethics for Water & Light Board: Catherine Freese is working on this. Discussion followed.

New Business:

- 1.) 2021 Proposed Operating Budget – Water Fund: Moved by Vincent, support by Hendrickson, **CARRIED**, to recommend Village Council approve the proposed 2021 Water Fund operating budget. Discussion followed. Ayes: Hendrickson, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt. Nays: Schnorr.
- 2.) 2021 Proposed Operating Budget – Electric Fund: Moved by Vincent, Support by Hendrickson, **CARRIED**, to recommend Village Council approve the proposed 2021 Electric Fund operating budget. Discussion followed. Ayes: Hendrickson, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt. Nays: Schnorr.

Public Comment: None.

Comments By Board Members: Comments heard from Schnorr, Vincent, Stokes and Wendt.

Adjourn Meeting: Motion by Stokes, support by Schnorr, **CARRIED**, to adjourn meeting at 6:59 p.m. Ayes: Hendrickson, Schnorr, Stokes, Vincent, Wendt.

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