

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

Present: Board members: Vincent, Freese, Hardenbrook, Schnorr.

Absent: Wendt.

Also Present: Clerk -Schummer, Interim Village Manager – Watkins, Bergman – Via Zoom.

Call to Order: Due to Chairperson Wendt being absent, 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 Catherine Freese to act as alternate acting Chairperson for this meeting. Ayes: Vincent, Freese, Hardenbrook, Schnorr. Absent: Wendt.

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

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Vincent, support by Schnorr, **CARRIED**, to approve the minutes for the August 11, 2020 W&L meeting as presented. Ayes: Freese, Hardenbrook, Schnorr, Vincent. Absent: Wendt.

Water and Light Chairperson Announcements: None.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None.

Submission of Bills and Financial Updates:

A.) **Water & Light – Monthly Bills – August 8 to September 4, 2020** - Motion by Schnorr, support by Hardenbrook, **CARRIED**, recommend Village Council pay the August Electric Fund bill in the amount of \$43,612.55. Discussion followed. Ayes: Freese, Hardenbrook, Schnorr, Vincent. Absent: Wendt. Motion by Freese, support by Schnorr, **CARRIED**, to recommend Village Council pay the August 2020 Water Fund bill in the amount of \$10,627.38. Ayes: Freese, Hardenbrook, Schnorr, Vincent. Absent: Wendt.

B.) **Christmas Light Fund** – Not available.

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.) **Interim Village Manager:** Watkins gave a verbal report.

Unfinished Business:

- 1.) **Utility Limbing update:** Watkins gave an update.
- 2.) **Meter Reading:** Estimated for resident in September – full reads in October.

New Business:

- 1.) **EGLE Violation Notice:** Letter received 8/12/20 from EAGL was presented for review, regarding monitoring for Disinfection Byproducts.
- 2.) **EGLE Construction Permit Reminder:** Memo received August 11, 2020 was presented for review.
- 3.) **W&L Board Seat:** Non-Elector seat is up for appointment in October.
- 4.) **Fee Schedule Updates:** Request for a policy committee, be formed again, to discuss an update of the fee schedule. Schnorr and Vincent volunteered for the committee.

Public Comment: None.

Comments By Board Members: None.

Adjourn Meeting: Motion by Vincent, support by Schnorr, **CARRIED**, to adjourn meeting at 6:30 p.m. Ayes: Freese, Hardenbrook, Schnorr, Vincent. Absent: Wendt.

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

Terese Schummer, Clerk

Catherine Freese, Alternate Acting Chairperson