

WATER DISTRICT NO. 1 OF MIDLAND COUNTY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
DATE: OCT. 19, 2022

Board Members Present:

Roger Crockett, Lincoln
Craig Gosen, Edenville
Rita Goul, Hope
Doug Kruger, Lee
Terry Hall, Edenville
Carl Hamann, Sanford
Heidi Pitt, Lee
Dave Rothman, Hope
Mike Wood, Jerome

Staff Present:

Rowan Everleigh
Ron Rose

Public:

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Board Members Absent:

Linzy Kreiner, Jerome
Bonnie Whaley, Sanford
Kevin Wray, Lincoln

MEETING LOCATION: Jerome Township Hall

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Wood at 7:00 PM

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND ROLL CALL: Performed. Nine members were in attendance, a quorum.

MINUTES: Moved by Gosen, seconded by Crockett to approve the minutes of the Sept. 21, 2022 meeting. Motion approved by voice vote.

OPERATIONAL BILLS: It was moved by Rothman, seconded by Gosen to approve WD#1 bill payments totaling \$99,120.14, checks 12875-12884, 12893-12901, 4 EFTs. Check 12896 was voided. Motion approved by roll call vote 9/0. Moved by Rothman, seconded by Gosen, to approve WD#2 Local Unit Fee payments totaling \$75,300, checks 1455-1458. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0. It was moved by Rothman, seconded by Gosen, to approve payroll totaling \$50,475.74, checks 12857-12874, 12885-12892, 7 EFTs. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0.

2022 TAX ROLLS: These rolls cover accounts delinquent on their water bill payments. Moved by Wood, seconded by Gosen, to approve the rolls. Motion passed by roll call vote 9/0.

CORRESPONDENCE: Everleigh received 4 letters from FEMA about the 2021 reimbursements for flood expenses. The matching fund requirement had been reduced from 25% to 10% and WD#1 was due a refund. Refunds in the letters totaled over \$110,000. WD#1 would be cautious spending the money, until we are certain the amount is correct.

Everleigh advised the Board of 2 letters received requesting forgiveness of late fees. One was from a Mr. Tom Plachta, 2673 N. Heyward, who said he timely mailed his payment but it was delayed in the US Mail. The other

was from the Senior Center, 3243 NW River Rd and made the same request. The Senior Center envelope was postmarked after the date penalties are assessed. Moved by Wood, seconded by Gosen, to deny both requests consistent with WD#1 policy. Motion passed by voice vote.

STAFF REPORTS: Everleigh reported 513 shutoff notices were mailed, approx. 200 remain to be shut off beginning Oct. 20. New employee Brennan Mudd is getting his new computer. He will be eligible for medical insurance after 30 days on the job. Permit data is still being entered ^{in the} ~~into~~ computer. Tax rolls were prepared for Board approval.

Rose reported the Wackerly Rd water line work was finished. Staff took advantage of the project to also replace some service lines and curb boxes in the project area. The big emergency generator was serviced and a service agreement signed for another year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee: No report.

Operations and maintenance: Wood reported a new bid from Justin Finney for the Edenville bulk water filling station excavation work. Bid was \$21,000. Original bid was \$35,000. Finney was awarded the contract. The Jerome water tower will be inspected before the end of 2022. There is an on-going effort to diagnose and repair the VFD control problems with 2 of the 3 Price Rd water pumps. Moved by Gosen, seconded by Hall, to approve continuing the diagnostic work as having 2 of 3 pumps down is an emergency situation. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0. Everleigh will check with USDA to learn if this expense can be paid from our RRI reserve funds.

It is hydrant pump-down season. Wood advised Township supervisors to speak to their fire chiefs.

Business and Finance: Rothman reported that the B&F Committee met Oct. 18, 2022. Minutes were provided to the Board.

Policy: No report

Human Resources: No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

OTHER ITEMS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Mike Scholp has a request to connect his Geneva Township N. Caster Rd home to the Jerome Township water main. Staff will check to see if there is already a written agreement with City of Midland to allow such connections.

ADJOURN: Moved by Wood to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

L. David Rothman
Mike Wood