

WATER DISTRICT NO. 1 OF MIDLAND COUNTY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
DATE: APRIL 19, 2023

Board Members Present:

Rita Goul, Hope
Todd Gentry, Edenville
Carl Hamann, Sanford
Linzy Kreiner, Jerome
Doug Kruger, Lee
Heidi Pitt, Lee
Dave Rothman, Hope
Bonnie Whaley, Sanford
Kevin Wray, Lincoln

Staff Present:

Rowan Everleigh
Ron Rose

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Public:

Dennis Goul

Board Members Absent:

Roger Crockett, Lincoln
Terry Hall, Edenville
Mike Wood, Jerome

MEETING LOCATION: Jerome Township Hall
CALL TO ORDER: Called to order at 7:00 PM by Wray

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND ROLL CALL: Performed
Noted that Edenville Township has appointed a new member to the Board, Todd Gentry

MINUTES: Motion by Hamann to approve, second by Whaley. Minutes approved by roll call vote.

OPERATIONAL BILLS: Moved by Hamann, second by Kruger, to approve payment of bills totaling \$90,233.96, checks 13101-13109, 13126-13127, 13134-13145 plus 3 ETFs. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0. Moved by Hamann, second by Pitt, to approve payment of Local Unit Fees totaling \$74,300, checks 1472-1475. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0. Moved by Hamann, second by Pitt, to approve payroll totaling \$42,920.03, checks 13110-13125, 13128-13133 plus 7 ETFs. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0.

CORRESPONDENCE: Everleigh received new information on the expected uses of RAI funds from Troy at USDA. It is OK to use the fund to pay for the new furnace in the Price Road pump house. Bulk water costs from the City are increasing from \$2.08/thousand gallons to \$2.24.

STAFF REPORTS: Everleigh reported that 483 shutoff notices were sent out, 106 accounts remain in shutoff status as of today.

French reported that new meters were coming in and being used to replace meters failing because of the flood. Some meters are back-ordered until September. Finney has started work on the bulk water station in Edenville. Two system leaks were repaired. A call from the City about a possible leak in our system turned out to be a faulty storm sewer. Two booster pumps in Edenville needed rebuilding at a cost of \$1,300 each. We have been told to expect a 5-year lifetime between rebuilds.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee: Wray- He has been reading by-laws to learn if WD#1 can put money toward a retirement party for Rose. Documents were unclear on that. It was moved by Hamann, second by Whaley, to give Rose a \$500 retirement bonus to use as he wishes. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0.

Operations and maintenance: Hamann- Also mentioned rebuilding the Edenville booster pumps. The office furnace needs replacement due to a failed heat exchanger. Parts provided under warranty, labor to total \$900. Moved by Wray, second by Hamann, to approve the expense. Motion approved by roll call vote, 9/0. Wiring project and new control box for Price Road pumps- project complete and results good. French will get bids on replacing the gravel floor inside Jerome Twp water tower with concrete.

Business and Finance: Kreiner- Committee met 4/18/23. Advised of USDA funding letter. Revenue and expenditure report was approved. Michigan CLASS rate of return is now 5.02%. A new co-signer will be needed at the office after Rose retirement. French seems the proper choice. Moved by Kreiner, second by Hamann, to approve French as the new co-signer. Motion approved by voice vote.

Policy: Whaley- Committee will have some policy matters to work upon. New Board member Gentry will join this committee.

Human Resources: Wray- On-the-job injury suffered by Manchester due to back strain while raking. Expected to return to work April 22, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OTHER ITEMS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURN- Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

