

Swan Creek Water District

Record of Proceedings
Thursday, March 24, 2016

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 p.m.

Roll call attendance showed the following Board members present: Dale Brunner, Mark Fowler, Shawn Albert and Walt Lange. Also present were Tom Shelley, Inspector and Township Trustee, Rick Kazmierczak. Visitors list attached.

Minutes Approval from Regular Meeting on March 10th - Motion was made by Trustee Fowler, seconded by Trustee Brunner, to approve the meeting minutes from March 10, 2016. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes; and Lange, yes. Motion Carried.

Manager's Report

Cash Summary by Fund Report was given to the Board for review.

Resolution(s) 2016-14 was reviewed and signed by the Board. Details of this resolution are in the March 10, 2016 meeting minutes.

Purchase Orders were reviewed and initialed by the Board.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Payments – Trustee Fowler reported that he has gone over all the bills. No questions or concerns.

Resolution 2016-15 was motioned by Trustee Fowler, Seconded by Trustee Lange to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$1,414.23. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes and Lange, yes. Motion Carried.

Inspector's Report

Replacement Check Valve for hydrant meter. (\$250.00)

Tom said at the last meeting *"he took apart the old hydrant meter and verified that the Check Valve was broken, but the meter can still be used as a backup meter. Replacement parts were not available to repair the check valve." A new meter was ordered*". He indicated that when the new meter was delivered he saw that the "Check Valve" was like the one on the old meter. The bottom line is that for \$250 we can repair the old hydrant meter.

Motion was made by Trustee Fowler, Seconded by Trustee Albert to approve the purchase of a check valve to repair the hydrant meter. The estimated amount is \$250.00. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes and Lange, yes. Motion Carried.

Emergency Response Procedures

Tom reported that the "emergency" contact service system was working. He received a call at 4:00AM from the Fulton County Sherriff that the Swanton Fire Department needed the water shut off at 1179 Road F. He responded as requested. Trustee Lange indicated that he had received a call from the Sherriff prior to Toms call and that he gave the Sherriff Tom's number. Trustee Fowler reported that he also received a call. The bottom line – the system worked.

New Business

Tap Fee Review

Our current tap fee is \$1,500 plus \$50 inspection fee.

Our current "Cost" are:

- Long Tap installation = \$2,772.00
- Short Tap installation = \$1,572.00
- Meter & RTR (Recordall Transmitting Register) = \$180.00
- Regulator = \$87.00

Resolution 2016-16 was motioned by Trustee Fowler, Seconded by Trustee Brunner to set the in-district tap fee at \$1,900 and the out of district tap fee at \$2,500. Additional costs will include the meter, RTR (Recordall Transmitting Register), regulator, inspection fee, and any other charges that may result in installing the new tap. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes and Lange, yes. Motion Carried.

Old Business

Johnson Trucking on Airport Hwy – Dale talked to the owner and found out that the Truck Washing is separate business owned by Fleet Wash. He also talked to the regional planning committee and they will not get involved because the area is not zoned. Township Trustee Kazmierczak indicated that the Township Trustees are looking at various options for economic growth in the area.

Vacant Water Board Position (Letter from Township) – The Board received a letter from the Township Trustees, dated March 22, 2015, indicating that:

“We are still awaiting a legal opinion from the Ohio Attorney General in this regard and wish to receive this. However, we do not disagree with the legal opinion you received regarding the Water District Board filling your open seat, per Section 6C of the final court entry”

Trustee Brunner stated that the vacant position to be filled expires in June at which time he would hope the Township Trustees would be comfortable going back to doing the appointments as the way they were meant to be done. Trustee Albert restated that he feels that all candidates should have an equal chance and this will only happen if the pending litigation is over.

Trustee Fowler mentioned that Trustee Albert’s term will also be up in June and the Township Trustees usually send a letter asking if a Water Board Member is interested in being reappointed. Depending on what Trustee Albert decides, they may have 2 appointments to make. Township Trustee Kazmierczak stated that they will be sending a letter to Trustee Albert soon.

The Water Board and Township Trustee Kazmierczak discussed the interview evaluation form. Trustee Lange will review and revise accordingly prior to the interviews.

After much discussion it was decided that the Water District can use the applications that the Township Trustees received. The Water Board will interview all applicants with the understanding that if an applicant is on the Law Suit they will NOT be appointed to the Water Board since the Water Board attorney has indicated that this would be a conflict of interest. If the law suit is settled prior to the final decision on the appointment then all applicants will be considered. Everyone agreed that the District should inform the Township Trustees on when the interviews are scheduled so that one of them can sit in on them.

Resolution 2016-17 was motioned by Trustee Fowler, Seconded by Trustee Albert to schedule a special meeting to conduct interviews on April 7, 2016 at 6:00PM. Roll Call Vote: Albert, yes; Brunner, yes; Fowler, yes and Lange, yes. Motion Carried.

Public Forum

Sharon Niedzwiecki wanted to know if a Township Trustee would be attending the interviews. It was indicated that the Township Trustees will be invited to be present during the interviews.

Adjournment – At 7:14 p.m. Trustee Fowler moved to adjourn seconded by Trustee Brunner. Motion Carried.

Up Coming Meetings

A special meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2016 @ 6:00PM to interview candidates for the Water Board.

The next two regular meetings are scheduled for Thursday, April 14, and April 28, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

SWANCREEK WATER DISTRICT BOARD

Mark Fowler

Dale Brunner

Shawn Albert

Walt Lange – Secretary, Water District