

MEETING  
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
CATERPILLAR TRAIL PUBLIC WATER DISTRICT OF WOODFORD  
COUNTY ILLINOIS ON JULY 8, 2019 AT 7:05 PM  
AT 404 TEN MILE CREEK ROAD, EAST PEORIA, IL. 61611-9240

Present: J. Ezzell, C. Slagel, R. Sutton, K. Webber and J. Zulu  
Excused Absence: J. Schaffer and Z. Taylor  
Guest: Steve Smith with Clean Energy Design Group  
Staff Present: G. Long and J. Burkhalter

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Sutton at 7:05 pm and declared a quorum present.

**Minutes Approval**

The June 2019 Board minutes were reviewed with one change, under Status Review – Old Business, Bob’s discussion on the Insurance. On #4, the insurance coverage cost with Corkill should indicate \$3,369 lower than this year’s quote from Assurance. There was not a quorum to approve the minutes due to two absentee votes (did not attend June meeting), and two members not in attendance at this meeting.

**Status Review – Old Business**

Electrical Contract - Steve Smith with Clean Energy Design Group reported he was able to get us a 23-month contract with AEP Energy for \$.03994/Kwh. This was a big savings for us, and the Board thanked Steve for all of his work on this.

Steve mentioned S Recs were available for solar renewable energy credits for non-profit agencies. It was something the Board might want to explore in the future.

**Public Comments** – Leak Adjustments:

Two leak adjustments were discussed:

- \$19.00 - 255 E. Far Hills – Approved
- \$176.00 - 241 Whispering Oaks - Rejected

**Treasurer Report**

Bills Paid- Bob reported on the Bills paid in June, 2019. **Motion** to approve bills paid in June by Kay Webber, seconded by Josh Zulu, and was unanimously approved.

District Water Billing - 2,012 bills were sent in June totaling 10,959,841 gallons. Water billed was \$103,670.34. Loan service billed was \$10,008.66, and Penalties billed were \$1,622.42, for a total bill of \$115,301.42

**District Superintendent’s Report**

Usage report – Greg reported 13,025,000 gallons were pumped in June. Bacterial test was ok and the fluoride was .650. The hardness was 5.4 grains per gallon.

Greg mentioned Scott Friederich had started full-time on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Illinois EPA Audit – Greg stated the EPA conducts this audit every 3-5 years. We were in full

compliance with no deficiencies. They did request 1 additional distribution sample for the monthly collection. Greg presently collects water samples monthly from 3 wells and 6 distribution locations, he will now collect from 7 locations.

Erosion Remediation – Greg reported he had 7 semi-truck loads of rip rap from LaHood Construction Inc. delivered. He also had some debris left from cleaning up areas with water breaks that was put into the ravine.

Greg had Doug Hoosier, Hoosier Lawn Care, move the rip-rap to the ravine for \$1,000. This has been done, however Doug will be back to touch-up the area.

New Operator/Additional Truck – Greg has requested 3 bids from Lighthouse GMC, Morton; Morrow Brothers, Greenfield, IL (through the State of Illinois program) and Roanoke Ford, Roanoke, IL. He has received two and waiting for the third. The bids are coming in around \$29,500. Bob will speak to Jonathan Heiple to determine if we need to publish an invitation to bid, or if the three bids are sufficient.

Phoenix Energy Services – Greg reported Phoenix Energy Services had hit our water main when performing directional boring behind the District 8 State Police Headquarters. Phoenix repaired the water main with our supplies and indicated they would pay for parts and time. Greg sent an invoice for \$1,232 in April with no response so far. John Ezzell indicated he will visit their office to see if he can get it paid.

### **Status Review – Old Business**

SCADA Update – Greg indicated Farnsworth had fixed our SCADA issues on June 13<sup>th</sup> and everything was still working. He will suggest Farnsworth come to the plant every 3 months to check on our system.

The Board requested Greg and Ryan put together an IT plan indicating improvements that need to be made with the computer system in the short term, medium term and long term, (e.g. Tank mixers connected and interfaced with SCADA system, laptop with secure firewall for remote access, etc.) for the next Board meeting on August 12, 2019.

Tank and Silo Painting – John Ezzell submitted the bid documentation to Jonathan Heiple for his review. Jonathan had a few suggestions which will be incorporated in the invitation to bid document. John indicated the bid document will request dual pricing: a “best guess” cost if all goes well, and a “worst case/not to exceed” scenario. The Invitation to Bid Request should be published July 10, 2019.

### **Board Member Items**

Kay Webber will not be at the August meeting.

John Ezzell asked if bids had been received for the repair of the fence around Well 4. Greg indicated bids had not been received and he will request bids.

Bob said Angie had requested part time support in the office. Kay will work with Angie to define job needs and requirements.

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting by John Ezzell, seconded by Kay Webber and was unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Judy Burkhalter  
Board Secretary

Next meeting will be August 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm.  
Please call to be excused if you are unable to attend.