

JACKSON TWP WATER AUTHORITY
(JTWA)

Monthly Meeting
January 23, 2018
7 pm

CALL TO ORDER

WALTER DITCHCREEK, CHAIRMAN, OPENED THE MEETING WITH A PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Others board members in attendance were John Wallet, Secretary, Robb Piper, Vice Chairman; Don Hrapchak, Treasurer and Asst. Treasurer / Secretary, Bill Grubb. Others in attendance were Pat Mulchay, EADS Group; Jim Deter, CPA; Karl Smith, Foreman, Fred Meier, Laborer; and Debra Buksa, Office Manager. Covering for the *Nanty Glo Journal* was Allie Garver. Residents in attendance: Jessica & Nathan Smith, Adams Avenue and Mike Pisarcik & Drew Klezek from Blacklick Municipal Authority.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mike Pisarcik from the Blacklick Municipal Authority explained that they were having issues with nonpayment and that liens are extremely expensive. He would like JTWA to consider an agreement for shutting off water for nonpayment. The Board does not see a problem with that. Mike will contact his solicitor.

Nathan Smith spoke on behalf of the Smiths. He has bought a property at 1735 Adams Avenue, adjacent to a parcel owned by JTWA. He would like to purchase the property or have a right-a-way granted.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

*ON MOTION BY ROBB, SECOND BY DON AND APPROVED BY ALL THE MINUTES OF
DECEMBER 19, 2017 AND REORGANIZATION MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2018.*

CPA REPORT: (Jim Deter)

Jim had emailed the 11-month Statement of Income for review. Jim had also inquired about the Job Costs, since Karl will be leaving. Year End inventory is scheduled for February 5, 2018 at 9am.

ON MOTION BY BILL, SECOND BY DON AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE 11-MONTH STATEMENT OF INCOME.

ENGINEER'S REPORT (Pat Mulchay)

*GIS mapping- 99% done - approximately ½ day of surveying needs done- weather permitting.
Interconnection with ET/JTWA- covered in old business*

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: (CJ Webb)

The Solicitor was not in attendance.

FOREMAN'S REPORT: (Karl Smith)

Karl read his report.

*marking out for GIS

*A new meter was installed at power plant and Beulah pump station.

*fix several frozen meters.

*meet with Bob Winters from Homeland Security and reviewed his report. JTWA is considered average and did well considering our size.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT: (Debra Buksa)

The secretary's report was reviewed. Report is attached.
Request to purchase a push sweeper was granted.

PAYMENT OF December's BILLS:

ON MOTION BY WALTER SECOND BY DON AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PAY DECEMBER'S BILLS.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A complete list of correspondence is attached to minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

ON MOTION BY JOHN, SECOND BY DON AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PASS THE 2018 BUDGET.

ON MOTION BY JOHN SECOND BY BILL AND APPROVED BY ALL TO HIRE WILLIAM EVANS, JR. TO POSITION OF LABORER STARTING AT \$15 AN HOUR STARTING FEBRUARY 12, 2018 WITH A 60 DAY PROBATION PERIOD.

ON MOTION BY JOHN, SECOND BY BILL AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PURCHASE THE DISCOUNTED UPGRADE FROM L/B FOR THE SENSUS METER READER.

OLD BUSINESS:

East Taylor / Jackson Interconnection – on going –weather permitting. They will need to open cut Brazil Lane.

The employee policies need to be updated by advisement of the insurance carrier.

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY ROBB AND AGREED BY ALL TO GRANT A 25 FOOT RIGHT-A-WAY TO NATHAN SMITH

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION BY DON SECOND BY BILL APPROVED BY ALL TO ADJOURN AT 7:40PM.