

JACKSON TWP WATER AUTHORITY

(JTWA)

Monthly Meeting

January 28, 2020

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, Bill Grubb, Asst. Treasurer / Secretary; Robb Piper, Vice Chairman and Don Hrapchak, Treasurer. Others in attendance were Pat Mulchay & Stephanie Buncich, EADS Group; Jim Deter, CPA; Fred Meier, Foreman and Debra Buksa, office secretary. Covering for the *Nanty Glo Journal* was Allie Byers. Township residents attending where: Paul & Lisa Gresh, William Penn Ave.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Gresh addressed the Board. He had questions regarding his water bill and the amount of time that it had been estimated. Fred explained that even though the MXU (reader) was not functioning properly, the meter did register the actual usage. He explained further that JTWA has just recently implemented a new billing software that now tracks inconsistencies and problems. He and Willy have been working from a report that is generated after each month's meter reading. Mr. Gresh stated that he is glad that there is now a procedure in process to rectify this issue.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

ON MOTION BY BILL, SECOND BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 17, 2020 AS PRINTED.

CPA REPORT: (Jim Deter)

Jim supplied the 11-month Statement of Income.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT (Pat Mulchay)

Pat supplied JTWA with a copy of the Grant Application for the Industrial Park Waterline Project that he had submitted to Pa Dept. of Community and Economic Development. As of now awards are to be announced in April.

Pat made a recommendation to accept the current 2020 budget with the changes:

Operating Revenues be lower to \$792,950 from \$816,250.

Total Expenses will remain at \$619,100

PennVest costs \$176,365

Ending with a deficient of (-\$3,215.00) for the year 2020

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY ROBB AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PASS THE 2020 BUDGET WITH THE OPERATING REVENUES BEING LOWERED TO \$792,950 DOWN FROM \$816,250, TOTAL EXPENSES WILL REMAIN AT \$619,100, PENNVEST COSTS \$176,365 ENDING WITH A DEFICIENT OF (-\$3,215.00).

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: (CJ Webb)

The Solicitor was not in attendance.

FOREMAN'S REPORT: (Fred Meier)

Fred gave his report.

*He reported that a saddle on Pike Road blew out on New Year's Day.

*They posted 26 customers for nonpayment

*Responded to 18 Pa1 calls.

*George Wyse Pump Station – motor was done but breaker is still tripping.

David from RAM pumps said the slightest difference in impellers can the curve for VFD

John suggested that they get some advice from Ron Burkey who lives on Griffith Ave

*New meters have been installed at Ideal Market and Dolan's Welding.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT: (Debra Buksa)

The secretary's report was reviewed. Report is attached.

PAYMENT OF DECEMBER'S BILLS:

ON MOTION BY ROBB SECOND BY BILL AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PAY DECEMBER'S BILLS.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Bankruptcy notice for Helen Smith 1/16/2020
- CJ Webb –email concerning bankruptcy 1/22/2020
- PENNDOT- emergency permit certificate 1/9/2020
- DEP –email HAA5 exceedance 1/27/2020
- Ebensburg Municipal Authority – water rate increase 1/9/2020
- REA Energy – electric rate increase 1/8/2020
- DEP – Chapter 110 Annual Water Reporting 1/15/2020

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

Secretary was instructed to pay Gittings Security ¼ of invoice.

ON MOTION BY BILL, SECOND BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE BID OF \$14,000 FROM TRI-COUNTY CAMERA AND ALARM SERVICE FOR NEW CAMERA SYSTEM.

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY BILL AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ADJOURN AT 8:00 PM.