

JACKSON TWP WATER AUTHORITY  
(JTWA)

OCTOBER 26, 2010

WALTER DITCHCREEK, CHAIRMAN OPENED THE MEETING WITH A PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Others board members in attendance were John Wallet, Secretary; Ray Dodson, Treasurer;; Rich Wray, Engineer; Dick Wilkinson, CPA; Karl D. Smith, Authority Foreman; Georgia Frombach , Secretary and Amanda Deibler, reporter from the 'Nanty Glo Journal'. Bob Katzenstein, Sales agent of Glacial Energy was also in attendance. Robb Piper, Vice Chairman and Don Hrapchak, Assistant Sec/ Treasurer were absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mr. Katzenstein, Sales Agent of Glacial Energy, explained the deregulation of electricity which will begin on Jan 1, 2011. After reviewing the bills we receive from Penelec, he stated that his company could save JTWA approximately \$ 1,323.00 per year or \$ 110.25 per mon. which reflects a savings of 18%. with an average of \$ 0.061 per kilowatt. If JTWA would sign an agreement with Glacial Energy to be the provider and Penelec being the distributor, we would receive two bills per month with payments being made electronically. A period of 6-8 weeks will be needed to process the paper work before this would come into effect. This rate will not apply to any REA bills. (Report is attached)

*THE MINTUES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2010, WERE APPROVED AS PRINTED.*

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** (Rich Wray) (Report is attached)

An update on the Swigle Mt. Project was given.

*ON MOTION BY WALTER , SECOND BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO APPROVE FNB REQUISITION #13 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,711.04 FOR ENGINEERING COSTS AND DT CONSTRUCTION.*

*ON MOTION BY RAY, SECOND BY JOHN, AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT A RESOLUTON TO SIGN THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE GABODA AND HOFFECKER PROPERTIES FOR THE SWIGLE MT. ROAD PROJECT. .*

Rich reported that the legal issues with DT Construction have been resolved.

Rich informed the Board that REA needs to install the electricity to the tank site on Swigle Mt. Road before the disinfection of the tank can proceed. REA is waiting for one transformer to arrive.

Rich will get prices on a fence at the pumping station from Red Rock.

Chickaree Hill – Rich reported that there is no change in the status of this project.

*ON MOTION BY WALTER, SECOND BY RAY, AND APPROVED BY ALL TO SIGN THE HIGHWAY OCCUPANCY PERMIT.*

**CPA'S REPORT:** The 8-month Statement of Income was distributed and reviewed. The quarterly forms were signed by the Chairman. *ON MOTION BY RAY, SECOND BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE CPA'S REPORT.*

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** C.J. Webb was not present.

**FOREMAN'S REPORT:** (Karl Smith) Karl read his report. (attached)

**PAYMENT OF SEPTEMBER'S BILLS:** *ON MOTION BY WALTER, SECOND BY JOHN, AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PAY THE BILLS FOR SEPTEMBER 2010.*

**CORRESPONDENCE:** list attached

**NEW BUSINESS:**

John Wallet suggested that the Board should consider selling the 480 C backhoe since it is no longer used and replace it with a Skid-steer loader. John feels that this piece of machinery would be helpful in the excavation of work sites and in restoring any customer's yards, etc. This could be hauled on the trailer and attachments could be rented if needed. The possibilities of selling the backhoe or using it as a trade-in were discussed.

Karl will look into getting prices and information on the backhoe and skid-steer for the next meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

John asked Karl when the bollards for the front of the office building will be installed.

*ON MOTION BY WALTER, SECOND BY RAY AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ADJOURN AT 7:45 PM*