

JACKSON TWP WATER AUTHORITY

(JTWA)

Monthly Meeting

February 25, 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; and Don Hrapchak, Treasurer. Robb Piper, Vice Chairman was absent. 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.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 2, AND JANUARY 28, 2020 AS PRINTED.

CPA REPORT: (Jim Deter)

Jim supplied the 12-month Statement of Income.

ENGINEER'S REPORT (Pat Mulchay & Stephanie Buncich)

Stephanie compiled a draft of several older areas of JTWA's system that could be replaced with estimated costs (attached). Hoping to have final study done by next week. They still have guys in the field, looking for leaks.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: (CJ Webb)

The Solicitor was not in attendance.

FOREMAN'S REPORT: (Fred Meier)

Fred gave his report.

*Nanty Glo pumping is around 330,000 a night.

*Fords Corner is around 25,000 a night.

*Responded to 12 Pa1 calls.

*We posted 21 customers for nonpayment.

*We have been working with EADS with the leak detection pods. We have found 1 leak on Chaser Street.

*We fixed a leak on Friday.

*We met with Penelec today regarding the Swigle Mt Tank. They supply their own easement agreements.

*We need a new door for the Beulah pump station.

*We read meters.

*Fred purchased another meter for the bulk water.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT: (Debra Buksa)

The secretary's report was reviewed.

Administrative

Water collections for the billing period 12/25/19 to 1/25/20 to date

\$63,571.46

Submitted monthly allocation reports.

Banking: As of February 25, 2020

Depreciation: \$21,927.76

Revenue: \$60,751.51

Customer Deposit: \$427.17

(\$721.55 outstanding checks)

Announcements:

Ethics forms need filled out.

PAYMENT OF JANUARY'S BILLS:

ON MOTION BY BILL SECOND BY DON AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PAY JANUARY'S BILLS.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- CBiz –email workers comp audit 1/30/2020
- CJ Webb –statement of financial interests 2/14/2020
- CJ Webb – email Smith bankruptcy 1/28/2020
- DEP –email monitoring 2/21/2020
- DEP – Certified mail HAA5 violation 1/27/2020

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

Don inquired if JTWA can show income? Jim reply was yes. Pay down debt and capitalize. Don expressed his concern regarding the passing of a budget that showed a deficient. Some discussion regarding the budget occurred. John stated that the original budget did not show a deficient. The raising of the rates was debated for several minutes.

ON MOTION BY DON TO HAVE A FLAT \$3.00 RATE INCREASE.

The motion died to the lack of a second.

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION BY DON, SECOND BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ADJOURN AT 7:40 PM.