12-05-2023 WATER BOARD MINUTES

The Santa Claus Waterworks Board met in regular session on December 5, 2023 at the Santa Claus Town Hall located at 90 N Holiday Blvd Santa Claus, In 47579.

The meeting was called to order by President, Scot Elliott at 6:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Steve Leibering, Frank Fowler and Scot Elliott

Board Members Absent: Theresa Hartwig and Tony Perkins Also, Present: Jane Lindsey; Clerk-Treasurer, Chris Glenn

MINUTES

Steve Leibering made the motion to approve the November 7, 2023 special meeting minutes as presented. Frank Fowler seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 3-0

REPORTS

Reports were given to the board to review prior to the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Scot Elliott reported that the budget was approved by the Town Council. Scot also gave an update on the family health insurance. Elliott informed the board he attended the special Town Council meeting in support of the change to family insurance. Jane Lindsey, Clerk Treasurer provided details of the plan chosen to the board.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Midwest Engineer gave an update on the water tower project. Midwest Engineer reported the new tower was complete and operating. Midwest Engineer has requested a preliminary punch list. The demolition of the old tower should be completed by January and the cleanup should be completed by Spring.

EDA

Midwest Engineer shared that last month the award for the project was given to Copper Creek. Midwest Engineer also reported the bid opening checklist was sent to EDA and they quickly approved the project. The federal interest statement was also approved. Copper Creek has turned in their Certificate of Insurance and bonds. Midwest Engineer stated that a pre-construction meeting will need to be scheduled and suggested the date of 12-19-2023 at 1:00 pm. Jane Lindsey, Clerk-Treasurer stated the Town Council meeting room was available at that time and Midwest Engineer stated they would like to secure that date and time. This meeting would not involve the Water Board in attendance.

Midwest Engineer suggested regarding the EDA project a possible change from a case bore to an uncased directional bore. This suggested change would save the project \$52,700.00. Jon Wetzel from Midwest Engineer stated that INDOT would have to approve the change first and then a notice would be given to Copper Creek.

Steve Leibering made the motion for Midwest Engineer to pursue the change order. Frank Fowler seconded the motion. Ayes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 3-0

Wetzel provided a map for the boards review showing current lines and potential routes of the new line to Mariah Hill. No decision was made during this meeting.

Jon Wetzel also requested the board to approve Scot Elliott as board president the authority to sign the notice to proceed and contract on the EDA project.

Frank Fowler made the motion to give authority for Scot Elliott to sign the notice to proceed and contract for the EDA project. Steve Leibering seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 3-0

PAY REQUESTS

Scot Elliott presented a pay request from Midwest Engineer, Invoice #202108901-03 in the amount of \$9,840.00 to be paid from Water Capital.

Frank Fowler made the motion to approve to pay Midwest Engineer, Invoice #202108901-03 in the amount of \$9,840.00 from the Water Capital fund. Steve Leibering seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 3-0

Scot Elliott presented a pay request from Indiana 15 Regional, Invoice #2 in the amount of \$10,000 from the EDA Project Grant Fund.

Steve Leibering made the motion to pay Invoice #2 from Indiana 15 Regional in the amount of \$10,000 from the EDA Project Grant Fund. Frank Fowler seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 3-0

Clerk-Treasurer Jane Lindsey

VOUCHERS

Steve Leibering made a motion to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$329,432.01 and Frank Fowler seconded the motion.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 3-0

No further business Frank Fowler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm and Steve Leibering seconded the motion.

Aves: All Nays: None Motion Carried 3-0

Next monthly Water Board meeting will be on January 2, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Scot Elliott, President

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Stephen Leibering, Member

Theresa Criss-Hartwig, Member

Frank Fowler, Vice President

Jane Lindsey, Clerk Town of Santa Clau

Tony Perkins, Member

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