

The Trustees in and for the Geary Utilities Authority met on the above date for their regular meeting. In accordance with the open meeting law, the agenda and meeting notice were posted on the window of City Hall, 115 S. Broadway, before 5:00 pm Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

Chairman, Bobby Allen, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Those answering roll call were John Gregerson, Ronnie Wheeler, Leslie Swinerton, and Ernest Allen. Cozetta Johnson was unable to attend this meeting. Also present were City Attorney Raymond Vincent, Public Works director Jeff Choate, City Accountant Linda Woodruff, Jim Shelton, Rick Lawrence, Drew Terrell, Anna Gregerson, and Elisha Bingham.

Leslie Swinerton made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to adopt the 2016-2017 GUA budget. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, and Leslie Swinerton. Nays: None

Public Works Director, Jeff Choate, gave the board a quick rundown of the May activities. There are always tree limbs to be picked up and pot holes to be filled. The workers have been working on eliminating some of these. It's time to open the pool again, so the workers have been working getting the pool cleaned and painted. We started filling the pool on May 23 so the water and chemicals would have time to mix and warm a little before opening day on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Leslie Swinerton to approve the monthly public works report from Jeff Choate. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

John Gregerson made the motion seconded by Ernest Allen to increase the sewer rate fees to \$8.00 per month. Ayes: Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, Ernest Allen, and John Gregerson. Nays: None.

Leslie Swinerton made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to work with OMPA to develop a suggested base rate for the electric fees. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, and Leslie Swinerton. Nays: None.

Raymond Vincent, City Attorney, is still trying to locate the Levi heirs for a water well agreement and to locate persons for a utility easement north of town.

No action on a proposal by Harrison Construction to finance the gas line replacement work.

Rick Lawrence and Drew Terrell were here to ask permission to have a water meter set on the city's 3 inch water line located at the bottom of Squires Hill. They are proposing to run a 2 inch water line from that meter to the south side of the South Canadian River to service at least 2 homes. They will need to get permission from the land owners or the highway department for an easement to lay the water line, and they will need to get a permit from the Department of Environmental Quality to lay water line. The City of Geary will need to contact our water engineer, Sullivan and Associates, to get information about adding another meter to that 3 inch water line.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to contact Kenny Sullivan, with Sullivan and Associates, to get more information about setting a 2 inch water meter on the 3 inch water line that goes west

down Squires Hill. We will also ask him about laying a water line across the South Canadian River for Rick Lawrence. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Leslie Swinerton had to leave the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to go into executive session at 7:46 pm, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307 B-1, for the purpose of discussing hire, fire, demote, promote, discipline, or resignation of John Garrett as a seasonal or part time employee. Ayes: Ernest Allen, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to reconvene the regular session at 7:50 pm. Ayes: Ernest Allen, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to hire John Garrett as a seasonal employee at \$7.25 per hour. Ayes: Ernest Allen, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to send 2 people to the MESO underground electric classes if there is no cost. Ayes: Ernest Allen, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

No action on the April bank balances.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to approve the consent agenda as follows: Approve to encumber \$25,085.57 for the June payrolls, approve to pay the May OMPA electric bill in the amount of \$45,370.43, and the monthly sales tax payments for approximately \$5,000.00. Approve to release the GUA checks for the May bills in the amount of \$45,409.28. Approve the release of the Meter refund checks in the amount of \$2,600.00. Approve the transfer of \$4,155.80 from the water account to the R.O. Fund. Approve the transfer of \$7,750.00 to the Construction Fund. Approve the transfer of \$20,834.00 to the General Fund. And approve to pay United Energy Trading, LLC \$2,177.83 for the natural gas purchases. No action on the monthly DEQ report. Ayes: Ernest Allen, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

John Gregerson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to approve the May 5<sup>th</sup> minutes. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, and John Gregerson. Nays: None.

Under new business Bobby Allen has found a 1979 wheat truck that he would like purchase for use on street repairs and limb pickup. He and Jeff Choate will go look at this to see if it is worth the price.

John Gregerson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, and John Gregerson. Nays: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016 by \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman, Bobby Allen