

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, August 9, 2017.

Chairman, Bobby Allen, called the meeting to order at 7:52 pm. Those answering roll call were Tabbitha Kiener, Craig Wright, Ronnie Wheeler, John Burns, and Trey Carter. Also present were City Attorney Raymond Vincent, Public Works director Jeff Choate, Assistant Police Chief Steve Cerbu, Teresa Hicks, City Accountant Dan Bond with Linda Woodruff's office, Mike and Cathy Allen, Lee Posey, Jim Shelton, Loice Nofsinger, and Elisha Bingham.

Loice Nofsinger wanted to know why city needed to know that the landlord of a property was the same person listed on the tax rolls, why were we refunding meter deposits, and why the board was going into executive session to discuss the school bills. These will be answered as the board come to that item on the agenda.

Jeff Choate presented the monthly utility report. The crews are still mowing city property along with some nuisance properties that will billed to the customers. There have been more water leaks that have been repaired. DEQ was here for the annual inspections of the water wells, R.O. Plant, and the lagoons. Everything passed. As time allows, the crew is repair dumpster and chipping limbs. An issue came up this season with the sand filter at the swimming pool. This filter was custom made in the 1930's and parts are not available. Scott Hicks was available to weld a patch on the system to get us through this season. Also, the chlorination system needs some repair before we open next year. Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to approve the monthly report. Ayes: Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, Trey Carter, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

The Greenfield water contract has a clause in it that allows the city to increase their water costs every three (3) years. That time will be in March of 2018. Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to monitor the cost of repairs to the Reverse Osmosis Plant and the cost of chemicals to find out what it cost to pump a gallon of water. We will consider this cost for possible increases to the water rates. Ayes: Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

The board adopted an Electrical System Terms and Conditions of Services policy in February of 2015. Section 2.02 Application for Electric Service, reads that if the premises are leased or rented both the owner and the renter must sign the application and both are liable for payment of the electric service. This was not enforced until January of 2017. In some instances there have been persons stating that they are owners, yet they are not the ones listed on the tax rolls as owner or in care of. This will be monitored more closely from now on. The rightful owner must sign the application along with the renter.

There was no action to be taken on the monthly bank balances.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Burns to approve the consent agenda as follows: Approve to encumber \$35,080.62 for the August payrolls, pay the July OMPA electric bill, and pay monthly sales tax.

MEETING MINUTES

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Approve the release of the GUA fund checks in the amount of \$37,452.76. Approve the release of the Meter refund checks in the amount of \$800.00. Approve the release of the R.O. Fund checks in the amount of \$335.80. Approve the transfer of \$4,523.10 from the GUA water to the R.O. Fund. Approve the monthly DEQ water report. 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 \$1,993.43 for the natural gas. Ayes: Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, John Burns, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by John Burns to approve the July 8th minutes. Ayes: Tabbitha Kiener, Craig Wright, John Burns, and Trey Carter. Ronnie Wheeler abstained since he did not attend that meeting.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to go into executive session at 8:14 pm, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307 B-4, for the purpose of discussing confidential litigations with the city attorney concerning utility billing for the Geary Schools. Ayes: John Burns, Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to reconvene the regular session at 8:29 pm. Ayes: John Burns, Ronnie Wheeler, Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to stay with the previous decision. Ayes: Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to go into executive session at 8:31 pm, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307 B-1, for the purpose of discussing hire, fire, promote, demote, discipline, or resignation of utility employees. Possible hire Robert Sylva as a part time employee for the sanitation department and /or promote Michael Burner and Christopher Rush. Ayes: John Burns, Ronnie Wheeler, Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Craig Wright made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to reconvene the regular session at 8:47 pm. Ayes: John Burns, Ronnie Wheeler, Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, and Craig Wright. Nays: None.

No action on the executive session.

There was no new business to discuss.

Under old business, the storm siren at the Cherokee complex has not been moved at of this date. Jeff Choate will check into this and get this moved as soon as possible.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 pm. Ayes: Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, Ronnie Wheeler, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Passed and approved this 7 day of Sept, 2017 by Bobby Allen
Chairman, Bobby Allen