GEARY UTILITIES AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES December 8, 2016

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, December 7, 2016.

Chairman, Bobby Allen, called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm. Those answering roll call were John Gregerson, Cozetta Johnson, Ronnie Wheeler, and Ernest Allen. Leslie Swinerton was unable to attend this meeting. Also present were City Attorney Raymond Vincent, Public Works director Jeff Choate, Jim Shelton, Kathrine Brown, Linda Bingham, and Elisha Bingham.

Kathrine Brown was here to discuss a gas line repair bill that the Macedonia Church had received. It seems that their gas had been turned off and they were not notified of this. They called a gas repair company because they thought their gas unit had quit. The repair man discovered that the gas was off and there were some valves that needed replaced. Kathrine feels that the city should pay this bill since they were not notified that the gas was off. The city does not show any work orders to turn off their gas. After discussing this for some time Ronnie Wheeler told Kathrine that since this bill was for a church he would take care of the repair bill. Kathrine thanked him on behalf of the Macedonia Church and no further action was taken.

There seems to be a need to clarify the water tap fees on the miscellaneous fees chart. The chart lists Rural Water tap fees as \$2,500.00. In January of 2012 Leslie Swinerton made the motion seconded by Bobby Allen to set the cost of tapping into the 12 inch water line at \$2,500.00 for a 1 in tap. A 2 inch residential tap will cost \$3,500.00 with a 2 inch commercial tap for \$4,500.00. Mary will make the additional changes to the miscellaneous fees chart. No other action to be taken.

John Burns was not here, no action on his electrical issues.

Ray Vincent is locating addresses for the Levi heirs so he can negotiate a water well agreement with them.

The utility crews have been busy with water leak repairs, chipping limb debris, and Okie line locates. Jeff has ordered a load of cold patch so more streets and alleys will be getting patched soon. Also, the 4 inch water line running north is in progress. Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to approve the monthly utility report. Ayes: Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Jeff Choate had a representative from American Tank inspect the water tower last week. Phase I would be as follows:

- Hot was interior & remove sediment to reduce further deterioration
- Prep interior
- Remove broken level indicator releasing rust in water
 The scope of work on the exterior
- Adjust wind rods to withstand 100 mph winds
- Weld in new OSHA complaint roof hatch to make roof water tight
- Install a lock on the hatch
- Weld ladder stationary

The cost for this is \$16,850.00. The cost for the inspection is \$1,500.00. After some discussion Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to pay the inspection fee of \$1,500.00 and to have Phase I of the repairs done now. We will look into grants and low interest loans for the rest of the repairs. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

No action on the bucket truck.

There was no need for an executive session.

No action on the bank statements.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to approve the consent agenda as follows: Approve to encumber \$34,108.55 for the December payrolls, pay the November OMPA electric bill, and pay the monthly sales tax. Approve the release of the GUA checks in the amount of \$29,229.18. Approve the release of the Meter refund checks in the amount of \$400.00. Approve the transfer out of GUA water to the R.O. Account in the amount of \$3,998.90. Approve the monthly DEQ 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 \$7,025.27 for the natural gas. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

John Gregerson made the motion seconded by Ernest Allen to approve the November 10th minutes. Ayes: Ronnie Wheeler, Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, and John Gregerson. Nays: None.

There was no old or new business to discuss.

Ernest Allen made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 pm. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ronnie Wheeler, Cozetta Johnson, and Ernest Allen. Nays: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Passed and approve this _____ day of ______ 2016, by

Chairman, Bobby Allen