

KEOKUK MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

November 23, 2021

2:30 P.M.

WATERWORKS OFFICE

Present: Trustees Hausch, Hickey, Long and Crenshaw. General Manager David Bogner, Plant Superintendent Jim Maddox, Assistant Plant Superintendent Bill Seabold, Distribution Superintendent Steve Johnston, Office Manager Heather Barnes and Secretary Joni Crenshaw.

The public was invited to attend the Go To Meeting by phone, computer or smart phone, as the office was closed due to COVID-19.

Chairman Pro-Tem Hickey opened the regular meeting. He welcomed new Board member, Thomas Crenshaw to the Waterworks. A motion was made by Trustee Long and seconded by Trustee Crenshaw that the minutes from the previous meeting of October 20, 2021, be approved, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. Vouchers #53002 through #53089, were reviewed and approved.

Plant Items: Mr. Maddox presented the Board with monthly charts and informed the Board of the work that has been done around the Plant. Skids 7, 8 and 9 are ready to run. Adams Consulting & Programming will run Air Integrity tests on them before they will be put into operation.

The train derailment in Montrose on November 13, 2021, released some diesel fuel into the river, however it was contained. The water intake at the Plant is fifteen feet below the surface so contamination was not an issue.

Distribution Items: Mr. Johnston presented the Board with monthly charts showing locates, service calls, meter installations, meters not sending out a read and water main breaks. He informed the Board that Jody Ross' final day will be December 3, 2021.

Office Items: Ms. Barnes discussed monthly financials, budget, operating expenses, and water sales to date. She informed the Board that the auditors will be here in December to present their findings. Ms. Barnes brought up the Employee Appreciation Dinner for this year. There was some discussion about having it at a larger location.

Manager's Report: Mr. Bogner gave an update on the membranes. Numbers 7, 8 and 9 have just been installed and will get commissioned this week. Membrane CIP has been completed on skids 1, 3-6. They are monitoring membrane response. They are also pinning fibers on skids 1, 3 and 4. We need to finalize a plan for membranes and conventional filters in the future.

Mr. Bogner also talked to the Board about a request for water service at the intersection of 136 and the bypass. Larry Hoppe is building an office and needs water service. There is a hydrant at that location but it is the end of a run. The Waterworks will present their proposal to Hoppe, which includes an auto-flushing hydrant.

There was also discussion regarding the meter status. In the future there will be bi-monthly meetings with Core & Main, and less dealing with Master Meter. Hoping that Core & Main will have more leverage with the manufacturer involving returns for faulty meters and warranty service.

Mr. Bogner reported on the inspection of all three towers on November 19, 2021. The overall inspection went well. There is normal wear and tear on all towers. The inspector was impressed with the absence of silt and there is no evidence of anything loose or moving that would cause vibrations in the Lincoln Tower.

Mr. Bogner touched on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal, "A Historic Investment in Water".

There are several grants and forgivable loans available coming up in 2022.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, will be December 21, 2021, at 1:30 P.M. For participation by phone or computer, instructions will be included on the agenda located on our website: www.keowater.com

Attest: _____
Secretary, Dave Bogner

Chairman Pro-Tem, Michael Hickey