

**UTILITY  
ADOPTED MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 12, 2018  
CITY HALL  
4:00 P.M.**

Present: Chad Janssen, Ern Malchow, Brian Rossow, Doug Anderson and Darrell Nissen

Absent:

Others Present: Holly Rademacher, Cheryl Ulferts, Rusty Kaderabek and Joni Hanson

Call the meeting to order by Darrell Nissen at 4:00 pm

**Motion by Anderson, second by Malchow to approve the agenda, as presented. All Yes, Motion Carried**

**Motion by Rossow, second by Anderson to approve the minutes of January 8, 2019, as printed. All Yes, Motion Carried**

**Motion by Malchow, second by Janssen to approve the accounts payable totaling \$290,370.57, and approve the Investment and Transfer Activity Report. All Yes, Motion Carried**

Holly told the board that collections are a little slower for the month, but we were still making headway. There are customers who are making payment plans, but they have to, quite often, be reminded of their plans.

The board discussed the 2018 crop damage (due to electric installation on the E side of N. Hunter St.) to the farmland that Jacob Ackermann rents for farming purposes. Beans were planted at the time.

**Motion by Anderson, second by Malchow to approve a payment of \$290.00 to Jacob Ackermann for the crop damage to the beans. All Yes, Motion Carried**

Rusty told the board that there is one shut off valve that broke due to the cold (Brandon and Sarah Laabs, 305 Colonial Ave). The shut off valve has to be dug up in order to get repaired.

Brian Rossow reported that there was not much new with SMBS. Thankfully, there were no outages during Superbowl Sunday. SMBS does not have a lot of answers about the outages that have occurred. Brian stated that there seems to be fewer complaints.

Rusty talked about the Water Plant Modifications. There is an issue with the aerator pumping into the detention tank. A letter is included in the packet from Kevin Young, SEH Inc.-Operations Specialist, stating that Magney Construction would complete the improvements proposed for the detention tank for the cost of approximately \$1,300.00.

**Motion by Rossow, second by Janssen to approve the expected cost of \$1,300.00 to have Magney Construction to complete the improvements needed at the Water Plant. All Yes, Motion Carried.**

Brian stated that there are residents complaining about the rusty water they have been experiencing lately. Rusty stated that this is probably due to ground shifting, due to warm and cold temperatures. Rusty stated that they are backwashing almost every day.

Brian went on to say that Kelly is collecting information on an overtime hours report for the City side to compare with the utilities to see if the new week work change will make a difference of overtime hours.

Cheryl stated that as of 1/23/19, the Fuel Purchase Agreement that the utilities had with Hage Oil, has been completed. Hage's filled the tank with fuel to where it needed to be, approximately 15 feet. Missouri River requires a certain amount of fuel in the tank that is available for Quarterly runs. Pump equipment needs to be installed on the tank so that the fuel can be pumped and measured. Ern inquired about who is going to pay for the use of the fuel. It was discussed that we would have to keep track of who uses the fuel, and charge accordingly.

Rusty finished up by saying that additional testing for the RO System will continue for the next 10 weeks. This will be part of the project cost from the grant money.

**Motion by Malchow, second by Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 4:25 pm. All Yes, Motion Carried.**

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**Darrell Nissen, Chairman**

**Attest:**

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**Joni Hanson**