

LEBANON UTILITY SERVICE BOARD

Lebanon, Indiana

February 21, 2018

Council Chambers

5:00 P.M.

Board:

Gary Ladd, Chairman

Neil Taylor, Vice Chairman

Jim Urban, Secretary

Dan Lamar, Member

Bill Stoner, Member

Staff:

Corby Unroe

Trace Bowles

Sandra Morgan

Mike Whitman, General Manager

Jeff Jacob, Legal Counsel

Guests:

Andre Riley, Umbaugh

John Lightner, BF&S

1. Chairman Gary Ladd called the February 21, 2018 meeting of the Lebanon Utility Service Board to order at 5:00 P.M. A full quorum was in attendance. Confirmation of appropriate notification was acknowledged.

Chairman Ladd stated that a Working Session was held at 3:00pm, this same date. Confirmation of appropriate notification was acknowledged. No motions were made, no votes were taken.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was observed.

3. Chairman Ladd requested comments or changes to the February 7, 2018 minutes. Secretary Jim Urban made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Vice Chairman Neil Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. & 5. Chairman of the Board Gary Ladd combined Agenda Item 4. and Item 5. both information items dealing with water rate adjustments. Andre Riley of Umbaugh and Associates, and John Lightner of Butler, Fairman & Seufert presented information to the Board substantiating the real need for additional funds to keep the water department in good financial standing.

6. Manager of Electric Engineering and Operations, Corby Unroe, asked the Board for approval to hire Plant Growth Management to clear the right-of-way for the 69kV Transmission Line. Vice Chairman Taylor made a motion to approve an Amendment to our Agreement with Plant Growth Management for a not to exceed amount of \$94,619.53 to manage the clearing of the route for the 69kV transmission line. Secretary Urban seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Legal Counsel Jeff Jacob asked the Board to approve the purchase of a property located within the 65kV South Loop Transmission Line. Member Dan Lamar made the motion to approve the offer to purchase real estate located at 501 E. Noble Street, Lebanon as well as the Agreement Setting Forth Additional Terms and Conditions to the Uniform Property Acquisition Offer as signed by the General Manager. And that the General Manager be authorized to sign all necessary documents to close on the sale of the property. Vice Chairman Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried. The closing for this property will be June 1, 2018 at which time the property will be put on the market.

8. Member Stoner made a motion to approve the claims dated February 21st, 2018 for \$2,406,966.03. Member Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.

9. Chairman Ladd asked for any other business that may be brought before the Board. General Manager Mike Whitman reported to the Board and the listening public the following:

Our Water Department has had two of their team members receive certifications from IDEM (Indiana Department of Environmental Management). Steve Mohringer, our Water Treatment Plant Operator, and Travis Brown, Water Distribution System Operator passed their Water Works Operator Certification as Grade Distribution System Large Water Distribution System Operators.

Our wholesale electric provider, Indiana Municipal Power Agency's, Residential Energy Efficiency Program offers residential customers of Lebanon Utilities the opportunity to earn rebates on qualifying heating, ventilation and air conditioning installations. Our commercial and industrial customers that implement energy-saving measures can receive incentives in four areas, including energy efficient lighting, heating, ventilation and air conditioning, variable frequency drives, and refrigeration. Additional information can be found at impa.com/energyefficiency or by calling our Customer Service Department.

In our Customer Service Office is a container for your compact florescent lightbulbs that are no longer usable. Working with Indiana Municipal Power Agency we will properly recycle the bulbs including the mercury in them. Supporting this program helps all of us work toward a better environment.

If you have a stand pipe or a floor drain in your basement, now is the time to make sure these are properly plugged. Our Wastewater Collection Crew has been monitoring the sanitary sewer pipes in town and they are seeing a lot of clear water. This means with the expected rain fall you could have a greater potential of flooding in your basements. In an effort to reduce the amount of rain water in the sanitary sewer system we do want to remind you that sump pumps are not to be connected to the sanitary sewer system.

I appreciate you taking the time to be with us today. Please Remember - - - Be Safe Out There!

10. Chairman Ladd opened the floor for public comment. No comments were offered.

11. The next Utility Board meeting is planned for March 7, 2018 at 5:00pm.

12. Hearing of no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Vice Chairman Taylor. The motion was seconded by Secretary Urban. Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32pm.

APPROVED THIS 7th DAY OF March 2018

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD