

The Regular Waterworks Board Meeting of the Town of Schererville, IN was called to order by President Guetzloff at 7:10 p.m., in the Schererville Town Hall, 10 E. Joliet Street Schererville, IN.

Attendance was taken with the following Board Members Present: Robin Arvanitis (online), Kevin Connelly and Rob Guetzloff. Councilmembers Present: Caleb S. Johnson and Thomas Schmitt. Staff members present: Attorney David Austgen, Fire Chief Robert Patterson, Deputy Fire Chief David Meyer, Deputy Chief of Police Steve McNamara, Park Superintendent John Novacich, IT Robbie Hansen, NIES Engineering Neil Simstad, Director of Public Works Chad Nondorf, Director of Operations Andy Hansen, Town Manager Jim Gorman, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Kristie Klein and Recording Secretary Robin Thiel.

THEREUPON, Approval of the minutes. Mr. Connelly made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2024 Public Meeting, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. Roll call vote: Mr. Connelly - Yes; Mrs. Arvanitis - Yes; Mr. Guetzloff - Yes. All in favor (3-0).

THEREUPON, Claims

- A. APV #113959 - APV #114418 on the Water Docket, Totaling \$1,003,639.08
- B. Various Funds, First National Bank of Omaha, Credit Card Charges, \$13,088.99
- C. Various Funds, Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis, April Legal, \$17,660.68
- D. Water O&M Fund, Bose McKinney & Evans LLP, Invoice #876661, \$695.00
- E. Water O&M Fund, Bose Public Affairs Group, Invoice #876960, \$631.66
- F. Various Funds, Napa, Parts, \$264.94
- G. Various Funds, Menards, Supplies/Parts, \$2,276.08
- H. Various Funds, Unifirst, Clothing/Towels, \$933.18
- I. Various Funds, Auto Wares, Parts, \$8,395.29
- J. Various Funds, Fletcher, Vehicle, \$38,587.00

Mr. Connelly made a motion to accept the claims as presented, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. Roll call vote: Mr. Connelly - Yes; Mrs. Arvanitis - Yes; Mr. Guetzloff - Yes. All in favor (3-0).

THEREUPON, Correspondence NONE

THEREUPON, Reports NONE

THEREUPON, Old Business NONE

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. PUBLIC HEARING

Res. #2024-2, A Resolution of the Department of Waterworks Board of Directors of the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, Recommending an Increase in the Wholesale Water Tracker Component of the Rates and Charges Collected by the Town of Schererville Municipal Water Utility, and all Matters Related Thereto

Mrs. Klein stated that the Proof of Publications are in order.

Mr. Gorman stated that this is a Resolution recommending an increase in the Town's water rates. He stated that this is a pass through rate. He stated that Indiana American Water, which is the company we buy our water from, they petitioned the IURC (Indiana Regulatory Commission) to raise the rates for all wholesale customers, which the Town of Schererville is one of them. Mr. Gorman stated that we are simply passing on these rates to our customers. He stated that we have been fighting this for several months now. Mr. Gorman stated that Indiana American Water went in front of the IURC to increase the pass through to 50%, but it ended up coming in just under 28%.

Attorney Austgen stated that they have been working on this for over a year. He stated that they have been actively involved in the protection of the rate payers of the Town of Schererville.

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NO PUBLIC COMMENT  
CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Connelly made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-2, Seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. Roll call vote: Mr. Connelly - Yes; Mrs. Arvanitis - Yes; Mr. Guetzloff - Yes. All in favor (3-0).

THEREUPON, Business from the floor NONE

Meeting adjourned.

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ROB GUETZLOFF  
WATERWORKS BOARD PRESIDENT

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MICHAEL A TROXELL, IAMC, CMC, CPFIM, CMO  
TOWN CLERK-TREASURER

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