

SISTER LAKES AREA UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Minutes of the Sister Lakes Area Utilities Authority regular meeting for June 8, 2023.

Chairman Blackmond called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, members present are Mr. Moore, Mr. Kays, Mr. Billingham and Mr. Laylin.

A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 11, 2023 was made by Mr. Laylin and supported by Mr. Moore. Motion carried.

Call for Public Comment: 1:31 – none.

The Bills and Claims for June in the amount of \$208,202.46 was presented for payment and were approved by Mr. Laylin and supported by Mr. Billingham. Roll call vote - Ayes- Mr. Blackmond, Mr. Moore, Mr. Kays, Mr. Billingham, and Mr. Laylin No votes – none. Motion carried. \$21,640.40 was transferred to Indian Lake Sewer.

As of June 7, 2023 the balance in the Maintenance account is \$2,606,985.07.

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May 12; B7 & B8 Reported power outages from 2am to 3:45am.

May 15; Power out C7 – Pole next to station was hit. Power off for 3 hours, no backups.

May 17; B5 Pump 1 Leak at bottom of pump, lots of blow by. Seal will be inspected.

June 1; B3 Pump 2 Clogged with blue jean material, pulled and cleaned, running well.

B1 Pump pulled and inspected. Enyard Electric quoted new pump at \$41,200.00 or repair/recondition pump \$4471.88. A motion was by Mr. Laylin and supported by Mr. Kays to have the pump repaired/reconditioned. Roll call vote – Ayes- Mr. Blackmond, Mr. Moore, Mr. Kays, Mr. Billingham and Mr. Laylin. No votes – none. Motion carried.

All stations have been cleaned and are in good shape. All alarms and batteries have all been tested.

NEW BUILDING

Draw No. 9 for Hall Builders for \$71,911.17 (Balance to finish plus retainage \$86,836.20, completed to date \$861,092.00). Motion was made by Mr. Laylin and supported by Mr. Billingham to send to next draw to Hall Builders. Roll call vote – Ayes – Mr. Blackmond, Mr. Moore, Mr. Kays, Mr. Billingham and Mr. Laylin. No votes- none. Motion carried.

Hall Builders quote for fence around retainage pond was received, three (3) proposals were sent from \$8,435.00 to \$9,620.00. After discussion, Mr. Blackmond will contact Wiltse Fencing for additional quote.

MEC will be completing the broadband connection on June 12, AV Tech will then finish the interior connections.

The final bill for architect Kevin Baker for \$2500.00 was presented for payment. A motion from Mr. Kays and supported by Mr. Moore to submit final payment to Kevin Baker. Roll call vote – Ayes- Mr. Blackmond, Mr. Moore, Mr. Kays, Mr. Billingham and Mr. Laylin. No votes-none. Motion carried.

Office Metro sent a quote for additional office furniture for \$1382.00. A motion was made by Mr. Laylin and supported by Mr. Billingham to accept quote from Office Metro. Roll call vote – Ayes- Mr. Blackmond, Mr. Moore, Mr. Kays, Mr. Billingham and Mr. Laylin. No votes-none. Motion carried.

Mr. Blackmond would also like Office Metro to quote 7 conference chairs for new building, Mrs. Kuriata will contact them.

The building is officially finished, move in can begin the week of June 12. Will call 2 Men and a Truck for a quote for moving filing cabinets, etc.

OLD-UNFINISHED

Attorney Seeber has recommended that we pursue a small claims lawsuit against USIC for the SEMCO claim.

We are moving forward on the installing of BS&A billing program. The first data extraction went well and the second data extraction will be on June 27, 2023.

A meeting between Chairman Blackmond and Silver Creek Township supervisor Mic Branan has yet to be schedule for Indian Lake sewer contract.

We will contact Mary Nycamp to send Mr. Blackmond information on the easement for Hillside Dr.

INDIAN LAKE SEWER

May 19; #7 generator alarm went off, switch problem, reset code and it was fine.

May 29; Ron DeWinter at 33497 Lakeview putting in ½ tap to hookup for garage, Mrs. Kuriata will be contacting Compton and Kalamazoo Excavating for install new tap.

Pump #4 was quoted by Enyard Electric \$4070.47 for rebuild/recondition. The cost for a new pump will be \$41,570.60. A motion was made by Me. Blackmond and supported by Mr. Laylin for the rebuild/recondition of the pump. Roll call vote – Ayes – Mr. Blackmond, Mr. Moore, Mr. Kays, Mr. Billingham and Mr. Laylin. No votes – none. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The next meeting will be July 13, at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Kaye Smith
Recording Secretary