

MINUTES
7:00 P.M., August 28, 2019
Board of Trustees Meeting
Tri-Township Water District (TTWD)
180 State RT 160, Trenton, IL 62293

1. Call to Order. The Tri-Township Water District (TTWD) Board of Trustees Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P. M.

2. Roll Call.

Trustees Present: John Barr, Cliff Behrmann, Maurice Diekemper, Roddy Riggs, Michael Thornton and Penny Zimmerman.

Trustees Absent: None

District Personnel Present: Chris Horstmann, Jim Brown (Dave Albers), Don Johannes and Brent Maschhoff

District Personnel Absent: None

1. Introduction of Guests. John Vezzetti with Bernardi Securities.

- Bernardi Securities has helped state and local governments throughout the Midwest raise cost-effective capital to help insure growth.
- They specialize exclusively in municipal bonds and gave a presentation on why refinancing our current loans would give us a substantial savings over time.
- Over the past three decades Bernardi Securities have supported and traded bonds issued by numerous communities in our area through their O'Fallon office.

2. Presentation of Minutes of Last Meeting.

Motion made to approve by Cliff Behrmann and seconded by Roddy Riggs.
Approved by attending board.

3. Treasurer's Report.

a. Account Balances.

b. Presentation of Bills.

Bills over \$500.00

Schulte Supply (<i>New Meters</i>)	\$1,158.30
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Cummins Sales and Service	\$1,297.18
Schulte Supply (N_Sight Software & Hardware)	\$3,433.30

Motion made to approve by Maurice Diekemper. Motion seconded by Penny Zimmerman. Approved by attending board.

c. Approval of Order of Disbursements.

Schulte Supply (<i>New Meters</i>)	\$1,158.30
Cummins Sales and Service (Replace Generator)	\$1,297.18
Schulte Supply (N_Sight Software & Hardware)	\$3,433.30

Motion made to approve by Michael Thornton. Motion Seconded by John Barr. Unanimously approved by attending board members.

d. Budget.

No motion made.

5. Payment Order #19-274

Motion made to approve by Michael Thornton. Motion seconded by John Barr. Unanimously approved by attending board.

6. Current Business:

a. Accountant's Report.

1. Summary of Cash & Reserve Accounts.
2. Presentation of Audit
 - Annual Financial Statement
 - Phase IV cost.
 - Ended with Q & A. No questions currently.
3. Intergovernmental Contract with City of Highland, SLM, & TTWD.
Highland still needs to sign. Need Page 1 and the letter dated Aug 24, 2017 from SLM.

b. Engineering Report.

1. Phase IV Pay Request

- a. C & S Companies, Inc. - Contract A \$35,020.50
- b. Brown & Roberts, Inc. - Contract A \$11,118.04
- c. Brown & Roberts, Inc. - Contract B \$11,072.74

Motion made by Michael Thornton and seconded by Maurice Diekemper to pay the Engineering Bills for Phase IV. Unanimously approve by all board members.

2. Timberline Road – Wasser Extension

- a. Status of amount owed to Haier Plumbing and Heating. Mona Mense with Haier didn't think we owed them anything at this time. There is something they need to do. She will speak with Jim Rossel and get back with Nancy Sadler at the office. Mona Mense called back. Jim will inspect the area again this week. They will have a pay estimate ready for September 25th, 2019 Board Meeting.
 - John Barr listed some of the items that were not submitted on the final invoice from Haier Plumbing which total roughly \$6,000.00-\$7,000.00. Additional items will be submitted for payment in the next few weeks.

c. Attorney's Report.

- 1. Highland & St. Rose Emergency Interconnect Agreement. On hold.
- 2. Intergovernmental Agreement with Village of Aviston and Trenton.
- 3. Annexation by Aviston for the A&H Robert Middike Trust property.
 - We need to upgrade the lines going into the area and it may take several more months to have everything we need to move forward.
- 4. Complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Injunctive Relief against Defendant, City of Trenton, Illinois.
 - The first week of September 2019 a judge will render a decision based on the motion filed by each side. (Motion for Discovery)
- 5. New Highland/Pierron Fire Department Building. Highland Fire Department to pay tap on fee. Update with Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Highland.

d. Operator's Report.

- 1. Water loss/gain report.
 - Revised Water loss/gain report show only an 8% water loss in July after auto flushing.
 - Chris from Certop recently checked out the timing on the auto flushing devises and they were accurate.
 - A suggestion was made to replace old meters 12 per month to help eliminate manual readings each month.

e. Office Staff Report.

- 1. Consumption report.
- 2. Customers using over 50,000 consumption report.
- 3. Zero Users report. (54)
- 4. Total number of ACH Customers for August's 2019 is 454. August's ACH Deposit was \$26,074.45 on August 15, 2019.

5. July's Credit Card Processing Statement from Paystar shows TTWD received 71 transactions totaling \$5,764.23 in payments.

1. Old Business.

1. Proposal for Resolution to City of Trenton. Sandberg Phoenix & Von Gontard P.C. letter to Attorney for City of Trenton with a proposal for resolution of the current dispute. They choose to continue into district
2. Email stating the City of Trenton will continue with their plans to expand their water lines into the Korte Luitjohan project which is in TTWD district lines. Letter received by Don Johannes confirming the decision. ***Restraining Order to stop construction has been issued.***
3. Annexation by Aviston for the A & H Robert Middike Trust property.
 - Letter from Aviston's Lawyer, Henry F. Bergmann, regarding easements or using the roadway right-of-way for water lines.
 - Response letter to Aviston.

2. New Business.

1. Comparison of charges since water rate increase on May 1, 2019.
2. Comparison of charges Clinton County Cooperative since changing to solar.
3. Gary Feldman Subdivision.
4. Report on Irby Meters.
 - Discussed all the information received from IRBY
 - Warranties are comparable to our meters except IRBY meters have no moving parts.
 - Discussed the cost effectiveness of replacing current meters and required software additions.
 - Revisit during the next board meeting scheduled September 25, 2019
5. Court setting the final pretrial conference for 9/2/2020 and bench trial for 9/14/2020 in Benton, IL regarding City of Trenton
6. Solar Energy Invoice arrived too late to be posted with agenda.
 - Pay invoice when job is complete.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the TTWD Office 180 State Rt. 160, Trenton IL 62293.

Motion to adjourn made by Roddy Riggs.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Minutes taken by: Office Personnel