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**AUGUST 1, 2017**

**THE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH PRESIDENT JIM WILSON, KAREN COOPERIDER, AND GREG LITZINGER PRESENT. EMPLOYEES PRESENT WERE, PAUL WEINER, IKE HYNUS, KELLY BEEM, AND STACEY HICKS.**

**MINUTES:** President Jim Wilson read the minutes from July 18th. Karen motioned to approve the minutes seconded by Greg (once two minor corrections are completed).

**PAY ORDINANCE:** The Board reviewed Pay Ordinance 17-13 that Kelly made corrections to (separating the funds). Greg motioned to approve the ordinance, seconded by Karen. The Board reviewed Pay Ordinance 17-14. Greg motioned to approve the ordinance, Karen seconded.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**SEWER LINE UPDATE:** Nothing to report.

**WATERLINE PROJECT:** Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**:

Per Paul, the North Columbus Pump Station needs to have an extra 10hp motor on hand. Paul will get pricing from a local vendor to save on shipping costs.

Paul said that he has not been able to rent the track hoe yet to clean out the north ditch at the sewer plant.

Ike has ordered the dog kennel from Underwood’s to protect the VFD’s at St. Joseph’s Lake. We will discuss this in more detail at the next meeting.

Ike needs to have an HVAC company come out and inspect the furnace and have the orifices changed to allow for the propane heat from Ferrell Gas. Kelly is going to make a PO to pay for the first fill and to start the contract process.

The Village cannot sell bulk water until the hydrant at the water plant is repaired. Ike has a lot going on the next couple of weeks, and this will be done as soon as it can be done.

Hydrant flushing occurring in August has been added to the bills that were sent out today. Ike is applying copper on St. Joes Lake this week and will begin the hydrant flushing as soon as possible.

Kelly presented a copy of the proposed budget for 2018.

Kelly let the BPA know that the USDA revenue bonds will be paid off in 7 years. This is the first year that USDA requires a full year of the sewer debt payment to be set aside for reserve. In order to do that, Kelly presented two options: 1) Take $13,000 each year (for seven years) and put into the sewer reserve fund, or 2) Defer the payment for one year and put it in the sewer reserve fund. The options are pending USDA approval.

At 6:50 pm, rules were suspended to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Executive session ended at 7:15 pm.

Karen motioned to approve a $1.00 raise for Ike and Paul. Greg seconded. The raises will be asked for approval at this evening’s council meeting.

Stacey is still waiting on several quotes on painting the two water towers we will revisit this issue next meeting.

With nothing further to discuss, Greg motioned to end the meeting, Jim seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.

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President Jim Wilson Fiscal Officer Kelly Beem