

**GODLEY PUBLIC WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2017**

The Regular Board meeting of the Godley Public Water District Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:00pm by Chairman John Slanicky at the Godley Public Water District Treatment Building. Those present for roll call were Trustees Robert Floyd, Jean Willis, Fena Blottiaux, John Slanicky, Frank Willis and Charles Schad. Also present were: Attorney Kathleen Elliott, District Engineer Todd Gereaux, Local Government Consultant Chris Brown, Lead Operator Brent Cosgrove and Secretary/Manager Joe Cosgrove. Trustee Roxanne Foote and Treasurer Linda Schott were absent from the meeting.

PUBLIC ATTENDING

Ken Sorensen, Village of Godley Mayor Robert Tovey, Wanda Alderson

PUBLIC COMMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Village of Godley Mayor Robert Tovey stated that the Village and Water District Attorneys are scheduled to discuss the issue of garbage fee collection. An update will be given at the next meeting.

Wanda Alderson inquired as to rumors that the Water District will be taking possession of the Custer Park School site. What are the plans for the building and playground. Why has there not been a request for public input. Manager Cosgrove answered that the Reed Custer School District and Water District have had discussions concerning acquisition of the building and property. The agreement is scheduled to be approved in October, with the Water District assuming ownership on November 1st. Once the Water District has taken possession, then decisions will be made. At this time there has been no decision made concerning building demolition. The Water District has discussed utilizing parts of the building for community programs.

MOTION #1: APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 16, 2017 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Jean Willis, seconded by Trustee Fena Blottiaux to approve the August 16, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented and attached. Upon roll call vote, the following Trustees voted aye: R. Floyd, J. Willis, F. Blottiaux, J. Slanicky, F. Willis and C. Schad. With 6 ayes, 0 nay, 1 absent. Motion carried.

MOTION #2: APPROVAL OF THE WARRANT DATED SEPTEMBER 20, 2017

A motion was made by Trustee Jean Willis, seconded by Trustee Frank Willis to approve the warrant dated September 20, 2017, in the amount of \$35, 271.94, as presented and attached. Upon roll call vote, the following Trustees voted aye: R. Floyd, J. Willis, F. Blottiaux, J. Slanicky, F. Willis and C. Schad. With 6 ayes, 0 nay, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Manager Cosgrove presented the Finance Report, a copy of which is attached to the minutes.

MOTION #3: APPROVAL OF THE FINANCE REPORTS DATED SEPTEMBER 20, 2017

A motion was made by Trustee Fena Blottiaux, seconded by Vice Chairman Charles Schad to approve the Finance Reports dated September 20, 2017, as presented and attached. Upon roll call vote, the following Trustees voted aye: R. Floyd, J. Willis, F. Blottiaux, J. Slanicky, F. Willis and C. Schad. With 6 ayes, 0 nay, 1 absent. Motion carried.

MANAGERS REPORT

Manager Cosgrove distributed a written Manager's report, a copy of which is attached to the minutes.

Updated the Board on the purchase of real estate on the Kankakee River. Closing was on September 19, 2017. Two lots were purchased. The Exelon annual payment of \$90,000.00 was received on September 13, 2017. We are scheduled to receive one more payment next year.

A breakdown of water production costs was distributed. Chairman Slanicky would like to set aside time at the next meeting to discuss current rates and increases to rates. More information will be distributed at the next meeting.

DISTRICT ENGINEERS REPORT

District Engineer Todd Gereaux provided a written report, a copy of which is attached to the minutes.

DISTRICT ENGINEERS REPORT (cont)

Provided information concerning the need to have Well #4 inspected and pump replacement. Informed the Board of discussions with City of Braidwood Commissioner Jim Hutton concerning joining the planning alliance, emergency water connections and the need for additional elevated storage in the area.

An updated report was given on the Godley Park District drainage project. The Kankakee River Withdrawal Permit application is 95 % done, and is scheduled to be filed in early October. The amount of the permit request will be 30 million gallons per day.

ATTORNEYS REPORT

Attorney Kathleen Elliott discussed the status of the Kankakee River property purchase. The closing was held on September 19, 2017. The total purchase amount for the two lots was \$24,000.00.

Distributed a draft of an Ordinance Amending the water rates. Distributed and explained a memo concerning changes to the Public Water District Act that concerns “back billing” customers.

Attorney Elliott will be providing information concerning the planning alliance to Kankakee County officials.

OPERATORS REPORT

Lead Water Operator Brent Cosgrove provided a written report, a copy of which is attached to the minutes.

Operator Brent Cosgrove updated the Board on the Aerator Media disposal and replacement project. A dumpster is on site and the media will be removed and replaced next week.

Reported on several meetings held with the Will County Health Department and Illinois State Water Survey concerning two deep wells in the Village of Godley. Rather than abandoning the wells, the State Water Survey may be interested in using one of the wells as a reporting/sampling well. Attorney Elliott will prepare an agreement that the property may use to accomplish this.

Presented and answered questions concerning the agreement with US Ecology to remove the stored radium from our waste storage tank.

Reported on contacting SEDAC, concerning a Public Sector Retro Commissioning program. Two years of utility bills are needed to apply for this grant. The grant would be targeted at the Custer Park School Site for upgrades that may reduce the energy usage/costs.

Update was given on the IEMA Licensing, Stan Huber Assoc., is scheduled for a followup site visit. Presented and discussed the proposal from US Ecology to remove radium from the underground storage tank. Attorney Elliott has reviewed the contract and insurance coverage. The estimated cost for this is @ \$0.16 per 1,000 gallons, based on 6 years of operation.

CONSULTANTS REPORT

Consultant Chris Brown presented a verbal report.

The Village of Diamond was the first public entity, besides the Water District, to join the Alliance. The City of Braidwood and the Village of Coal City are scheduled to vote on joining at their next monthly board meetings.

Reported on researching using our standby generator for energy credits during hi demand. The City of Braidwood is involved with a similar program with its electric supplier.

Reporting on several meetings with local Village and County officials concerning the withdrawal permit and planning alliance.

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION #4: RESOLUTION #191, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT, WELL #4 – INSPECTION AND PUMP REPLACEMENT, MUNICIPAL WELL & PUMP

A motion was made by Trustee Jean Willis, seconded by Trustee Frank Willis, to pass and approve Resolution #191, ICA Well #4 – Inspection and Pump Replacement, Municipal Well & Pump, at a cost of \$19,956.80, as presented attached. Upon roll call vote, the following Trustees voted aye: R. Floyd, J. Willis, F. Blottiaux, J. Slanicky, F. Willis and C. Schad. With 6 ayes, 0 nay, 1 absent. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #5: RESOLUTION #192, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT, RADIUM REMOVAL, US ECOLOGY

A motion was made by Trustee Jean Willis, seconded by Trustee Fena Blottiaux, to pass and approve Resolution #191, ICA, Radium Removal, US Ecology, at a cost of \$16,548.45, as presented attached. Upon roll call vote, the following Trustees voted aye: R. Floyd, J. Willis, F. Blottiaux, J. Slanicky, F. Willis and C. Schad. With 6 ayes, 0 nay, 1 absent. Motion carried.

MOTION #6: ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Robert Floyd, seconded by Vice Chairman Charles Schad to adjourn the meeting at 6:14p.m. With 6 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Cosgrove, Secretary