

REGULAR MEETING
EFFINGHAM WATER AUTHORITY

The regular meeting of the Effingham Water Authority was held on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 5:30 p.m., at the Effingham Public Library, 200 N. Third St., Effingham, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Jim Boos. Roll call was taken, with the following trustees present: Jim Boos and Chris Kabbes. Rob Brown was absent.

(see attached list for others present)

Mr. Kabbes moved to approve the regular meeting minutes for July 12, 2021. Motion seconded by Mr. Boos, motion carried.

Mr. Boos moved to approve the special meeting minutes for July 12, 2021. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Mr. Boos moved to approve the special meeting minutes for July 16, 2021. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Mr. Boos moved to approve the treasurer's report for July 2021. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Mr. Kabbes moved to approve the list of bills for July 2021. Motion seconded by Mr. Boos, motion carried.

Open Oil Bids:

One (1) oil and rock bid was received:

Larry Heuerman Trucking

Furnish and spread emulsified asphalt at \$2.74/gallon

Load, haul, spread & roll chip rock at \$11.00/ton

Mr. Boos moved to approve the bid. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Janet Antonacci – Property dispute:

Janet Antonacci addressed the Board regarding the recent property litigation, requesting reimbursement of some of their legal expenses. Mr. Siemer informed the Board that each party was responsible for their own expenses and recommended not reimbursing the Antonaccis for their expenses.

Lot 27 Boos & Grunloh #2:

Mr. Siemer gave an update regarding progress at the property. He said that Mike Dirks was keeping an eye on it. The owner has been coming out on a regular basis and doing some work, but not making much progress. A neighbor addressed the board regarding the disrepair and requested a timeline for completion of the project. Mr. Siemer will send correspondence to the owners letting them know that the next step will be court action and foreclosure of lease. As far as a timeline, legal proceedings take time and EWA will move forward as quickly as possible.

Boat Licenses:

Mike Dirks addressed the Board regarding eliminating the resident and non-resident boat licenses and combining them into one license for motorized vehicles. Brad Hastings with the Boating Committee will contact the other committee members regarding this change and report back.

Susan Dunlap:

Susan Dunlap addressed the Board regarding drainage issues at their property on Bluebird Trail. Mike Dirks and his staff have been checking on it and clearing debris on a regular basis. Mike will rent a camera to determine if there is blockage in the culvert that could be causing the issues. This will be discussed further at the next board meeting.

Good Neighbors:

Mrs. Jane Montello reported to the Board that they have 252 members and 9 business memberships to-date. They have received in excess of \$13,000 for the fireworks. Their next meeting will be on September 11. She also told the Board that the Good Neighbors may be interested in funding upgrades at the Community Building.

Non-Agenda:

Mr. Boos reported that the City of Effingham used 31,820,000 gallons of water in July.

Attorney's Report:

Mr. Siemer had nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Mike Dirks stated that he processed one (1) permit in July and the water was 4" above normal pool.

Office Manager's Report:

Mrs. Sue Verdeyen reported that she processed two (2) lease transfers in July and was working on year-end reports.

Parks & Rec:

Mr. Tom Ryan updated the Board on the disc golf tournament, the open house and the activity at the playground. He also discussed Phase two which is geared toward teens and adults and that they will start applying for grants and funds.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Boos at 6:28 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary