

REGULAR MEETING
EFFINGHAM WATER AUTHORITY

The regular meeting of the Effingham Water Authority was held on Monday, February 14, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., at the Effingham Public Library, 200 N. Third St., Effingham, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Rob Brown. Roll call was taken, with the following trustees present: Jim Boos, Chris Kabbes and Rob Brown.

(see attached list for others present)

Mr. Boos moved to approve the regular meeting minutes for January 10, 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Mr. Boos moved to approve the treasurer's report for January 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Brown, motion carried.

Mr. Brown moved to approve the lists of bills for January 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Boos, motion carried.

Auditor – Audit for FY 2020 – 2021:

Anna Guetersloh with KEB presented the audit for the Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021. She also made some recommendations for the Board to consider regarding checks and balances.

Lake Sara Water Co-op – Grant:

Mr. Brown informed the Board that Milano & Grunloh approached EWA regarding applying for grants for Lake Sara Water Co-op regarding adding sewer to the lake area. This would be in two (2) grants – one for a feasibility study and one for the sewer installation. They approached EWA because a municipality has to apply for the grants and Lake Sara Water Co-op is not considered a municipality. Mr. Brown moved to grant permission to proceed with the grant application. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Lot 30 Northwood Hills – sealed bids:

Classic Appraisals was to submit an updated appraisal for this property, but it has not been received. This will be tabled until we receive the appraisal. Mr. Kabbes will contact Classic Appraisals.

Van Brooks – water access:

Mr. Brooks addressed the Board requesting water access. The office will prepare a water usage agreement for him to review.

Boat Dockers – sale of lots:

As part of an agreement with Boat Dockers, they are selling two lots as residential property with EWA receiving 30% of the net sale. Boat Dockers will be contacting Milano and Grunloh regarding splitting the property prior to the sale.

Non-Agenda:

Brian Larson addressed the Board regarding the sale of Red Fox Marina which has been completed and thanked the Board for all their support in the past. He introduced Jason Gines

who will be the new owner of the marina. Jason addressed the Board and said he looked forward to working with them.

Jane Montello complimented Mike and his crews for the road maintenance during the last ice/snow storm. She also wanted to know if there was anything new with the Summit Township agreement.

Mr. Brown reported that the City of Effingham used 27 million gallons of water in January.

Attorney's Report:

Mr. Siemer had nothing to report but reminded the Board about the dormant house repair.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Mike Dirks reported that he processed one (1) permit and the water was at normal pool and frozen.

Office Manager's Report:

Mrs. Sue Verdeyen reported that she worked on (1) lease transfer in January.

Good Neighbors:

Mrs. Jane Montello informed the Board that they have 30 members for 2022. Their first meeting will be May 1 instead of May 7. Last year they met at Pinkie's before opening day and would like to do that again this year which is why the date has been changed.

Parks & Rec:

Mr. Tom Ryan was not at the meeting but was recognized for being voted Volunteer of the Year.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Brown at 6:25 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary