

REGULAR MEETING
EFFINGHAM WATER AUTHORITY

The regular meeting of the Effingham Water Authority was held on Monday, November 11, 2019, at 5:30 P.M., at The Effingham Public Library, 200 N. Third Street, Effingham, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brown. Roll call was taken, with the following trustees present: Rob Brown, Chris Kabbes and Jim Boos.

(see attached list for others present)

Mr. Boos moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting dated 10/14/19. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

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

Mr. Brown moved to approve the list of bills for October 2019. Motion seconded by Mr. Boos, motion carried.

Auditor - Michael Johnston:

Mr. Johnston presented the Trustees with the audit information for the FY 2019.

Lot 11 Boos & Grunloh #1:

Mr. Siemer informed the Trustees that he has had no feedback from the correspondence sent to the Custodian. Mr. Siemer and Mr. Brown will make phone calls to the Custodian. The property is in a state of extreme neglect. The Trustees will be checking the property in person and deciding how best to proceed.

Short Term Rental Properties:

No action will be taken tonight. We will be gathering information from the discussion tonight to assist in possible solutions to the situation. Several attendees addressed the Board with suggestions, concerns, pros and cons.

Mr. Brown reiterated that the Effingham Water Authority's number one priority is to provide water to the City of Effingham.

Vic Fauss - Variance for Hickory Trees:

Mr. Fauss was not present for the meeting. Mr. Brown informed the Trustees that he had spoken with Mr. Fauss on the telephone, telling him that the Trustees would have to set up a meeting to go to the property to look at the situation.

Non-Agenda:

None

Mr. Brown reported that the City of Effingham used 46,000,000 gallons of water in the month of October.

Attorney's Report:

Mr. Siemer had nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mike Dirks stated that he processed one (1) building permit and the water was 2" below normal pool level. Mr. Kabbes and Mr. Dirks performed an equipment inventory check on November 2, 2019 - no issues to report. The next scheduled inspection will be Spring of 2020.

Office Manager's Report:

Sue Verdeyen reported that she processed two (2) lease transfers in October. She also compiled information for the Auditor, was working on totaling boat licenses for the year, and had 2020 boat licenses all stuffed.

Committees:

Mr. Hastings, Boating Committee, would like to see the list of regulations for short term rentals when created in case some boating regulations would need to be added.

Mr. Ryan, Parks and Recreation Committee, reported that November 3rd he went before the Judge to promote our request for the grant. A regional DNR representative was there and told Mr. Ryan that we have a good project. He has filed the 2020 financial analysis from the information received for this year. Mr. Ryan, along with the Farnsworth Group, has also been in contact with playground equipment companies for proposals which should be received some time in December. As of this time we have received \$441,000 in the matching fund category, with \$600,000 donations received thus far.

Jane Montello, on behalf of Good Neighbors, introduced herself and mentioned that their last meeting for the year was in October and will not meet again until May of next year. Their newsletter is mailed out to all of the Lake residents one time per year and after that just to the residents who join the Good Neighbors.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Brown at 7:19 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary