WATER BOARD MEETING
07/15/2014
6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Chuck Storie.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:
Present - Chuck Storie, Tony Higginbotham, Frank Massey, Iris Wilhoit & Robin Meyer
Absent – None

Minutes: The June 17th, 2014 Minutes were accepted.

New Business

1. **Marc Hanson USG** – Marc Hanson, with Utility Service Group, presented a visual Power Point Report from the assessment he completed on the City's three water tanks; South Tank-built in 1956, East Tank-built in 2001 and the Honda Tank-built in 2008. The purpose of the presentation was to get the feel of USG's maintenance program and discuss Mr. Hanson's recommendations. Mr. Hanson priced the East Tank, as he felt it was in need of repairs, presented suggested improvement options on the other two tanks, and stated he would like to present the board with a maintenance program. The board requested a paper copy of the Power Point Report from Mr. Hanson for their review, which was declined for bidding reasons. **After discussion the board decided to table the issue until more information on budget and tower expense history could be acquired for their review.**

2. **Matt Eldridge** – Matt Eldridge, with Smith Implements, came before the Board to request antennae placement on top of the Honda Water Tower that would enable local famers/producers in the Decatur County Area to begin utilizing RTK (Real Time Kinematics) technology to harvest/plant their crops beginning in the fall of 2014. The technology is a line-of-sight FCC licensed radio frequency broadcasting in the 450-470 MHz range. Concerns were raised by Rick Denney on the SCADA System, and Donna Lecher on the AMI (Radio Read) System, of possible radio signal conflicts. Darren Burkhart, from HNTB, the company that engineered the Honda Tower, was present in the audience and stated there is already three openings on the tower for antennas. He stated the openings could feed more than three cables. The board had concerns of other companies wanting the same consideration. **It was decided to table the request and have the City Attorney, represented by Nathan Harter, come up with some "ground rules" for antenna placement for the next Water Board meeting. Rick and Donna were to check on conflicts with utility infrastructure. Mr. Eldridge was informed of the next Water Board meeting date of August 19th, 2014.**

3. **Chemical Bids** – The chemical bids were let at the June 17th, 2014 meeting. Rick stated:
   - **Liquid Chlorine - Brentagg $46.50 per 150# cylinder**
     Jones Chemical $30.90 per 150# cylinder
   - **Everything Else - Brentagg had the lowest bid**

   Robin made motion, with Iris seconding, to approve the Liquid Chlorine bid to Jones Chemical and Everything Else to Brentagg, all Ayes and motion carried.

4. **Truck disposal** – Rick said he has a 1990 Chevy Pickup Truck (Unit 20) that has a rod knocking and needs a new motor. He asked the Board if they want him to advertise for bid or sell it for scrap metal. He said he might get $300-400.00 for it (from scrapping). The item will be removed from the assets when scrapped. **Motion was made by Chuck and seconded by Tony to take the truck to the scrap yard for metal prices, all ayes and motion carried.**

Mayor Gary Herbert – Issues that he wishes to present to board. The Mayor had left the meeting.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.

Presiding Officer: Chuck Stone

Rob Mz

Wilhoit

Respectfully Submitted: Donna Lecher
Water Board Secretary