

Franklin County Rural Water District #1
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2022

Note: Meeting held at First Christian Church Ottawa to provide proper social distancing during Covid-19. No regular board meeting held in March 2022.

PRESENT: Cathy Duderstadt, Karen Walburn, Garrett Taylor, Keith McAdoo, Brad O'Dea, Larry Endicott, Tom Wilson, Lance Town, David Alderman.

VISITORS: Shannon Humphrey

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

2. VISITOR:

Chairman Taylor gave the floor to Shannon Humphrey to explain his concern about the delayed timing on finalizing his water application. Because of utility delays he could not move forward. Brad O'Dea moved to extend the application time line by 90 days. Lance Town seconded; motion carried. Chairman Taylor invited Mr. Humphrey to stay for the remainder of the meeting if he would like.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Karen Walburn moved to approve the February 2022 minutes as printed. Keith McAdoo seconded; motion carried.

4. OPERATORS REPORT:

Tom Wilson reported on his and Nicole Roecker's activities for the month. He prepares a written report which includes more detail, please see attached report. Some of the highlights are: his company truck is in the shop, repairs under warranty. Base Grant turned out not to be a good option for us. No Rescue Act money offered from Douglas or Franklin Counties. The new digital meter we purchased from Mueller will no longer be sold by Mueller, but will be handled by the manufacturer Diehl, so no major glitch there. Lead/copper State rules getting frustrating as we have to be partially responsible for problems on the customers' side of the meter.

5. BOOKKEEPERS REPORT:

Cathy reviewed the March financials, reviewed the bills to pay, accounts receivable, and the need to make a decision on a expiring CD. Keith moved to accept the financials as presented, and to pay the bills, Lance seconded, motion carried.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

Service to Wellsville. Tom felt that it was time to finalize the engineering plans for the pump house at our water tower. That will be necessary to provide reliable water to Wellsville. Keith moved to finish the engineering work to start construction of the pump

house, Lance seconded, motion carried. Tom put together a "transfer" cost analysis for providing the City of Wellsville water from Miami 2 to Wellsville through our line. He suggests a charge of 84 cents per 1000 gallons.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Water application 4706 Texas Road. This application was approved earlier in the month by E-mail as it was an emergency situation time wise.

Cathy has about 150 customers on ACH monthly bill payment, has been accounting for them by hand, and it is growing monthly. Our accounting software company, Advantage Computer, makes a software package to handle this type of transaction as well as a module to provide electronic billing for customers. Cathy reviewed the benefits and costs. Lance moved to purchase two software packages totaling \$1662.50, Larry seconded, motion carried.

Cathy reviewed CD options for the expiring CD, among our local banks. Larry moved to renew it at the same bank, GSSB, for twelve months, shortest possible at a rate of 0.45%. Keith seconded; motion carried.

Lance Town resigned from the Board due to work load. Keith moved to accept Lance's resignation, Larry seconded, motion carried.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Keith moved to adjourn at 7:40 pm, Larry seconded, motion carried.