

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MINUTES - REGULAR SESSION – June 8, 2020

The Board of Trustees met in regular session on June 8, 2020, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Chairperson Mike Rozga called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and on roll call the following members were present: Mike Rozga, Adam Voigts and via phone, Jim McClymond. Absent: Lesley Forbush.

The consent agenda consisting of the following was approved on a motion by Voigts and seconded by McClymond. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Claims list for June 8, 2020.

Minutes from May 26, 2020.

March 2020 Treasurer's Report.

Resolution 2020-22 approving a proposal from P&E Engineering Company for the 2021-23 Electrical Underground Conversion Project in the amount of \$250,000 was introduced on a motion by Voigts and seconded by McClymond. In discussion, it was noted that a rate increase in the future would be necessary to partially cover the costs of the ten-year project. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Mike Metcalf, Electric Superintendent, reported the Electric Department has hired an apprentice and is working on a variety of projects.

Lou Elbert, Water Superintendent, reported that a main break was found and repaired, and that work is continuing on the garage.

Kurt Ripperger, Telecommunications Superintendent, provided an update on the Minerva-10 project, scheduled installations and how COVID-19 has affected the supply chain for telecommunication hardware.

Voigts moved and McClymond seconded to approve Resolution 2020-23 setting salaries and benefits for appointed officers and non-union employees of the Indianola Municipal Utilities. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Voigts and seconded by McClymond to approve Resolution 2020-24 setting salaries for union employees of the Indianola Municipal Utilities. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2020-25 authorizing an extension to the temporary suspension of administrative fees and non-payment disconnects for IMU utilities was introduced on a motion by Voigts and seconded by McClymond. In discussion, General Manager Chris Des Planques stated staff has been reaching out to customers who are behind to discuss their options. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

General Manager Des Planques provided an update on MEAN meetings, stating that IMU will receive a rate refund. At the next meeting, Des Planques will give a presentation on the new energy efficiency portal and rebate program process.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. on a motion by Voigts and seconded by McClymond.

Mike Rozga, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Jackie Raffety, Deputy City Clerk