

## UTILITY IMPACT BOARD MINUTES

# March 2, 2015

NAME	AREA REPRESENTED	PRESENT	ABSENT
Greg York	New Castle Mayor	X	
Dave Barker	Director of Public Works	X	
Dave Copenhaver	City Attorney	X	
Kenny Melton	Building Commissioner	X	
Melvin Watson	Superintendent Waterworks	X	
Ed Hill	GIS/MS4 Coordinator	X	
Janice Burns	Manager Utilities Office	X	
Fred Duvall	Superintendent Non-Certified Wastewater	X	

This meeting was called to order by Dave Barker at 9:30 a.m.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Dave B. asked if there were any corrections or additions to the previous minutes. Dave C. made the motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Melvin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Brian Supinger appeared before the Board concerning a large water bill. He explained of his family going through bankruptcy, and moving from a house at 2718 S. Main Street after it was foreclosed upon. He established new service at another residence, but failed to request a work order to terminate service at the Main Street house. The house was empty, and consequently, the water lines froze and burst with 366 units of water flowing before it was discovered. Mr. Supinger said he was unaware the service was still active. The water was eventually shut off on February 3. Normal water usage occurred from November to December of 2014. He stated they left the house in the third week of December. Dave C. asked if the bankruptcy had been discharged; Mr. Supinger answered no. Dave C. asked for the documents related to the account and would contact Mr. Supinger's lawyer to determine the next steps for the Water Utility. He also advised there be no effort to collect until he had determined the status of the bankruptcy.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Janice informed the Board of a potential problem with an account at 309 N. 27<sup>th</sup> Street. It was discovered during meter reading that a significant leak was occurring at this address. The tenants were informed and they were advised to have the water service shut off so they could make the repairs and limit the usage. The Utility Office was informed they did not want the service terminated and were

aware of the large bill they will receive. Melvin said he will try to determine if the tenants are still occupying the house and will have the service terminated to stop the loss of water.

**UTILITY OFFICE ADJUSTMENT.** Janice made a motion to make an adjustment for the period February 18, 2015 to February 27, 2015 in the amount of (\$10934.40). The unusually high adjustment was due to writing off bad debt. Dave C. seconded. Motion passed unanimously

**BOARD MEMBERS BUSINESS:** Dave B. informed the Board of an INDOT request to discuss utility issues concerning the upcoming S.R. 38 reconstruction. He gave five dates suggested by INDOT to find the appropriate one for this meeting. Dave B. asked to have a meeting prior to the INDOT meeting to discuss issues as a group. It was agreed upon to hold that meeting March 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00. Selection of the INDOT requested meeting will be made after checking availability of personnel on the dates INDOT submitted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:51 am

Minutes submitted by: Ed Hill

Next meeting will be Monday, March 16, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.