

UTILITY IMPACT BOARD MINUTES

DECEMBER 18, 2023

NAME	AREA REPRESENTED	PRESENT	ABSENT
Greg York	New Castle Mayor	X	
Dave Barker	Director of Public Works & Safety	X	
Joel Harvey	City Attorney	X	
Kenny Melton	Building Commissioner	X	
Greg Phipps	Superintendent Waterworks	X	
Mark Stacy	Utility Office Manager	X	
Fred Duvall	Superintendent Non-Cert. Wastewater	X	

The meeting was called to order by Director Barker at 9:30 a.m.

Director Barker asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Phipps made the motion to approve them as presented, with Mr. Duvall seconding. Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD:

OLD BUSINESS: Kimberly Podhorn of 132 & 124 Fairway Drive came before the board to request the properties to be hooked to the city water and sewer line. The board discussed the matter with Engineer, Keith Bryant and Mrs. Podhorn. The board explained it would be a project well over \$700,000 to complete. After further discussion, the board stated they would figure the amount it would cost if Mrs. Podhorn is able to contact the neighboring church for an easement to access their current water and sewer lines to tap into. The board agreed to table the matter until the next meeting, 1/3/24 at 9:30am.

Mr. Melton stated that Comcast, sub-contractor- BSM Groups is wanting a permit to bore on South 5th street. Mayor York stated that the permit would need to be in Comcast name. Mr. Melton made a motion to approve request with Mr. Duvall seconding. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Melton also stated that Duke Energy and ARC are requesting to continue work on Riley Road. Mayor York stated that he is hesitant for them to start working again. Several homes were severely damaged due to ARC boring and hitting the city's water line. Mr. Melton noted that the ordinance concerning boring, contractors, sub-contractors, etc was in the process of being reconstructed. Al Salzman of Duke Energy interjected and stated that Duke Energy along with ARC are needing to start working in the Riley Road area to complete the work they are required to do. Mr. Melton asked if they could work in a different area than the damaged homes. Mr. Salzman stated he would make a note of the request and that as a utility company, Duke Energy does have a "utility easement" that does allow them so much access to homeowner property to do work they need to complete.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Stacy noted that city owned property located at 830 Redelman Court has recently been demolished as part of the Landbank. There were two utility liens still on property that need to be removed. Mr. Stacy made a motion to remove the liens. Second by Mr. Melton. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stacy also stated that Customer #91850000 of 410 N. 12th Street was having fluctuating readings for a period of time. It was discovered that the meter was crossed with the neighbor at 414 N. 12th. The account needs to be adjusted accordingly for a period of two years. Mr. Stacy made a motion to approve an adjustment in the amount of \$540.82. Mr. Duvall second. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stacy made a motion to approve utility billing adjustments from 12/4/2023 to 12/15/2023 in the amount of \$-1,557.59. Mr. Harvey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD MEMBERS BUSINESS:

The meeting was adjourned at
10:00am

Minutes submitted by Kendra
Kennedy

Next meeting: January 3, 2024