

MINUTES

MUSKEGON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM POLICY BOARD
DALTON TOWNSHIP
TOWNSHIP HALL
1616 E. Riley Thompson Road
Muskegon, Michigan 49445
11 February 2014
2:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Kim Arter at 2:00 p.m.

ROLL

Present: Kim Arter, Laketon Township Supervisor
Chris Hall, Dalton Township Supervisor
David Kieft, Muskegon Charter Township Supervisor
Kenneth Mahoney, Muskegon County Board Chair
Susie Hughes, Muskegon County Commissioner
Sam St. Amour, Fruitland Township Supervisor
Terry Sabo, Muskegon County Commissioner

Staff

Present: Robert Ribbens, Muskegon County Public Works Water System Supervisor
Mary Mack, Muskegon County Public Works, Temporary Employee

Present: David Bossenbroek, Attorney
Rod Siegel, Laketon Township
Roger Jordan
Joe Bush, Attorney
Jerry Sanders
Tracy DeMarse, Dalton Township Clerk
Elizabeth Jenkins, Dalton Township Treasurer

WSPB-14-010 –Approval of Agenda

Moved by David Kieft, seconded by Terry Sabo, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried

WSPB-14-011 – Approval of Minutes

Moved by Susie Hughes, seconded by Kenneth Mahoney to approve the minutes of the meeting held January 14, 2014.

Motion Carried

WSPB-14-012 – Items for Consideration:

1. Moved by Susie Hughes, seconded by Kenneth Mahoney to amend the schedule of the per-REU portion of the customer-paid connection fees

Ayes – Arter, Hall, Mahoney, Hughes, St. Amour, Sabo

Nays – David Kieft

Motion carried

2. Moved by Susie Hughes, seconded by Kenneth to make a change to the schedule of the per-REU portion of the customer-paid connection fees to as follows, until September 30, 2014. At that time, the board will re-evaluate.

1st REU – stays the same

2nd REU – from \$64.50 to \$70.00

3rd REU – from \$32.25 to \$35.00

4th REU – from 16.13 to \$20.00

5th REU – \$8.06 as was recommended

Ayes – Arter, Hall, Mahoney, Hughes, St. Amour, Sabo

Nays – Kieft

Motion Carried

WSPB-14-013-Information Items

Moved by Susie Hughes, seconded by David Kieft to accept the New Meter Set List and the Local Fund Balance Sheet for December 2013 and place on file.

Motion Carried

WSPB-14-014 – Reports – Water System Update

Robert Ribbens, Water System Supervisor gave a brief update.

WSPB-14-015 – Old Business-

There was discussion among the Water System Policy Board members, Joe Bush, Attorney for Roger Jordan of Duck Creek RV. David Bossenbroek, Attorney for Muskegon County, Tracy DeMarse, Clerk for Dalton Township and Rob Ribbens, Water System Supervisor. Everyone expressed concern of how the rate change would affect customers that had already paid the connection fees as well as the current customers paying the current rate. However, no decision can be made here today. Sam St. Amour suggested that subject be tabled until the next meeting and have Rob Ribbens bring information and send all questions to Kim Arter. Rob agreed to provide several different scenarios relative to this matter.

WSPB-14-016 New Business

Kim Arter said that Chris Hall and the Financial Sub Committee had met and discussed some issues but did not have anything to report back yet.

WSPB-14-017 Audience Participation

Elizabeth Jenkins, the treasurer for Dalton Township addressed the board with some concerns.

Moved by Sam St. Amour to table discussion on this matter, seconded by Terry Sabo.

Motion Carried

WSPB-14-018 – Adjourn

Moved by David Kieft, seconded by Sam St. Amour to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 p.m.