MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHAUTAUQUA UTILITY DISTRICT July 9, 2024

Present: Commissioners Faust, Waasdorp, Boehner, Metzger and Rovegno Also Present: Superintendent Michael Starks, Personnel/Financial Administrator,

Jami Koresko

Also Present: General Counsel Bill Wright from Wright Calimeri, PLLC.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairwoman Faust at the water treatment plant office.

After a review of the June 11, 2024 regular board meeting minutes, Commissioner Boehner made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Rovegno and approved.

Commissioner Waasdorp made a motion to confirm the bills for payment, seconded by Commissioner Boehner and approved.

Ms. Koresko went over the Water and Sewer Billing receivable. Ms. Koresko stated that there was a total of two customers that had service terminated due to non-payment and that both customers promptly paid their outstanding bills within 24 hours.

There was a brief discussion on Employee Health Insurance renewal rates. Ms. Koresko stated that she was able to get next year's pricing for Univera, Indepndent Health, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Delta Dental, and VSP. There was not an increase for Delta Dental and VSP. Ms. Koresko supplied a cost breakdown to the board with Univera's current pricing vs. the renewal pricing for all three health insurance companies and it showed there would be an estimated 10.04% increase if the district remains with Univera, a 3.56% increase with Independent Health and a 10.61% increase with Blue Cross Blue Sheild. Ms. Koresko also stated that the renewal date for health insurance is September 1st. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Waasdorp made a motion that the district remain with the current Univera plan and that employee contributions go up by 10% based on the current employee contribution, seconded by Commissioner Rovegno and approved. Board stated that single employee health insurance is still covered in full.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on the UV Disinfection Issues at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Superintendent Starks stated that new ballasts and UV lights were purchased and all will be replaced.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on NCLSD. Superintendent Starks stated that he has not received a response from NCLSD board in reply from the first letter he sent. Superintendent Starks stated that he is sending an additional letter to NCLSD to request a meeting regarding the current contract that is in place.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on the Water Meter Reading System. Superintendent Starks stated that employees are handing out door cards at properties that still are in need of the water meter reader upgrade. Superintendent Starks stated that he anticipates 90% of upgrades will be down by the end of the year.

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Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on the Filter #2 Scrubber Arm. Superintendent Starks stated that the scrubber arm was replaced and that the water treatment plant is able to filter out particles much better now. Superintendent Starks stated that they are looking at getting prices to fix the nozzles on the two other scrubber arms.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on the Main Control Panel Issues. Superintendent Starks stated that the water treatment plant is losing signal from the pump at the lake to the plant. Superintendent Starks stated that there is an issue with the flocculator and with the loss of communication with one pump, the other pumps are now acting abnormally. Superintendent Starks stated that employees now have to turn them on manually.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on the Potassium Permanganate Pump. Superintendent Starks stated that a new pump was purchased because it's believed that the current pump isn't pumping enough chemicals, so they are replacing it.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on repaired street lights around the grounds. Superintendent Starks stated that BECC came back to the grounds to repair several lights, along with photo cells, that were currently out. BECC also fixed the lens of the Cree light at the South Gate.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on 1 N. Lake Light. Superintendent Starks stated that he spoke with the property owner and as of right now, there will not be any change in the placement of the street light.

Superintendent Starks gave the board an update on the correspondence with National Grid regarding Street Lighting. Superintendent Starks stated that he has an upcoming meeting with National Grid to discuss the outstanding amount owed.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 8:30 A.M. at the water plant office.

Meeting Adjourned by Commissioner Rovegno, seconded by Commissioner Boehner and approved.

Marge Metzger Secretary