

**FOSTERBURG WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES – BOARD MEETING
May 19, 2021**

The regular meeting of the District Board was called to order by Chairman Strohbeck at 7:30 p.m. at the District office. Additions to the agenda were additional O & M bills for approval:

Ace Tech Computer Services	\$ 55.00
American Water Works Assn	\$ 361.00
CNA Surety	\$ 100.00
Farm & Home Supply	\$ 458.99
Home Depot	\$ 321.39
McKay Napa Corp	\$ 201.65
Midwest Municipal	\$ 2,364.72
Missouri Machinery & Engineering	\$ 6,876.44
Petty Cash	\$ 50.00
Refund – Starkey	\$ 22.06
US Bank Card	\$ 212.43
Water Solutions – Chlorine	\$ 637.82

Roll was called with the following board members present: Steve Strohbeck, Steve Ruppert, Eugene Feldmann, Kerry Bertels, Kristine Jarden, Jessica Thomas and Robert Kercher were present. Also present were Mark Voumard and Kim Owens.

DELGATIONS: None

The minutes of the April 21, 2021, copies of which had been forwarded to the Board, were reviewed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KRISTINE JARDEN SECONDED BY EUGENE
FELDMANN THE MINUTES FOR THE APRIL MEETING BE APPROVED.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The April Treasurer's report, copy of which had been forwarded to the Board, was reviewed and questions answered. Income reported for April \$188,506.49, bank interest \$2,485.92, expenses \$174,708.68 and depreciation \$38,799.64 resulting in a profit of \$22,515.91. Transfers among accounts for the months were also reported.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY BERTELS AND SECONDED BY JESSICA
THOMAS THAT THE APRIL TREASURER'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AS
PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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O & M bills for May previously sent to the Board, were presented along with additional bills for discussion and payment approval and questions were answered.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVE RUPPERT SECONDED BY ROBERT KERCHER THAT THE MAY O & M BILLS BE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHECKS BE ISSUED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVE RUPPERT TO RECESS THE MEETING IN ORDER TO ELECT OFFICERS AND APPOINT THE SEAT VACATED BY KRISTINE JARDEN. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Vice President Ruppert opened the floor for nomination of President/Chairperson.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JESSICA THOMAS TO NOMINATE STEVE STROHBECK AS PRESIDENT SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS. NO OTHER NOMINATIONS MADE. MOTION MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT STEVE STROHBECK AS PRESIDENT, SECONDED BY JESSICA THOMAS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Strohbeck opened the floor for nomination of Vice President.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JESSICA THOMAS TO NOMINATE STEVE RUPPERT AS VICE PRESIDENT SECONDED BY EUGENE FELDMANN. NO OTHER NOMINATIONS MADE. MOTION MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT STEVE RUPPERT AS VICE PRESIDENT, SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVE RUPPERT TO APPOINT KIM OWENS AS SECRETARY/TREASURER SECONDED BY JESSICA THOMAS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY BERTELS TO APPOINT BRAD HUETTE TO THE SEAT VACATED BY KRISTINE JARDEN SECONDED BY STEVE RUPPERT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Strohbeck presented Kristine Jarden with a plaque for her service.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER TO RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING SECONDED BY STEVE RUPPERT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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OLD BUSINESS

WORK REPORT: Manager reported the 2ND tank for Wenzel’s chlorine feed is on the way. NAP sampling still ongoing. IAW chlorine dropped so we are increasing ours. The guys have a couple more services to move on Seiler Rd. Motors on Wenzel and Fosterburg pumps are replaced. Ameren needs to do some work at Wenzel – there are voltage issues. Prairietown bulk load froze up – has been reset.

Bulk Load Report:

Culp Lane	\$ 51.50	16,400 gal	79.61 gal/cn
Prairietown	\$ 13.00	1,800 gal	34.62 gal/cn

MANAGER REPORT- SCADA is ready to go. Radio is on back order.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT – Seth from Heneghan’s was present. The county has new board members and transportation committee. Adam Walden has received a draft of the agreement. President Stroheck spoke with Mick Madison informing the transportation committee it was coming.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER TO SEND THE AGREEMENT TO THE MADISON COUNTY HIGH DEPARTMENT AND BOARD AS WRITTEN SECONDED BY JESSICA THOMAS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEW BUSINESS

ILLINOIS SOLAR CONTRACT – Dave and Laura were present to discuss the information previously received by the board. There are grants and rebates available and it shouldn’t be an issue securing one for solar panel installation. Illinois Solar would retain ownership for 5 yrs to collect the revenue from the certificates in order to recover their expenses. The savings on the electric bill usually pays for the installation cost after 2 years. More information will be gathered- tabled until June meeting.

TAYLOR TO FULL TIME – Manager reported the current work load warrants Alex Talyor, part time O & M employee, having more hours than part time limitations allow.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JESSICA THOMAS TO ALLOW ALEX TAYLOR FULL TIME HOURS AND SET PROBATIONARY PERIOD TO 60 DAYS SECONDED BY BRAD HUETTE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

STAUNTON BLACKTOP LINE EXTENSION - Manager sent surveys to the optional customers last year in this area asking for any potential tap ons. Most of the residents have wells and would not participate. The lady who initiated the survey request is still asking for water. He has advised the homeowner the cost would be all hers if she chooses to tap on. The board agreed to move forward with securing a cost estimate for the homeowner and revisit the topic.

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2020 AUDIT – The 2020 Audit Report was provided to board members prior to the meeting. All questions were addressed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER TO APPROVE THE 2020 AUDIT REPORT SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

JUNE MEETING – The manager will be out of town the week of the June meeting and asked to move it to the following week. June's meeting will be scheduled for June 23, 2021. (Meeting moved back to June 16, 2021 – manager's plans were changed.)

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Kimberlee J. Owens
Secretary