

08/11/2022

The regular meeting of the Stuart Municipal Utility Board was called to order on the above date at 5:30pm by Chairman Gulbranson. Present were Board Members Jones (over the phone), Russell, Avey, and Belden (over the phone). Also present were City Administrator Ashour, Utility Superintendent Howey, Billing Clerk Stouffer, Jeff Godwin, Ben Stouffer, Trevor Nelson, Dustin Foster, and local Boy Scout Troop 167.

Board member Belden's phone call was disconnected.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Avey to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A- Approval of Regular Meeting of 07/04/2022
- B- Approval of Financial Statement as of 07/31/2022
- C- Approval of bills as presented

Roll Call: Ayes: Gulbranson, Jones, Russell, Avey
 Nays: none
 Absent: Belden

Motion carried.

Jeff Godwin, engineer with Snyder & Associates, made a presentation to the Board regarding the progress of the 2022 Water Tower Project.

Moved by Russell, seconded by Avey to approve Water Tower Pay Application 1, Caldwell Tanks for \$304,372.40.

Roll Call: Ayes: Gulbranson, Jones, Russell, Avey
 Nays: none
 Absent: Belden

Motion carried.

Board member Belden rejoined the meeting by phone.

Jeff Godwin, engineer with Snyder & Associates, made a presentation to the Board regarding the progress of the 2022 Water Main Improvements Project.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Russell to approve Water Mains Pay Application 1, Great Plains Contractors for \$495,252.48.

Roll Call: Ayes: Gulbranson, Jones, Russell, Avey
 Nays: Belden

Motion carried.

The Board approved the Monthly Reports submitted by City Administrator Ashour which included the Financial Report, Delinquent Account Report, Payment Agreement Report, Budget Billing Report, and Offset Program Report.

Administrator Ashour informed the Board that former employee Mike Morgan will continue to provide IT services to City Hall and Stuart Utilities at a retainer of \$200.00 per month, with payment to be split evenly between the City and Stuart Utilities.

Chairman Gulbranson introduced Boy Scout Troop 167, and informed the Board that the Boy Scouts are earning a “Citizenship Within the Community” badge by attending a public meeting.

Chairman Gulbranson informed the Board that Governor Kim Reynolds has signed a proclamation declaring August 21 – 27 as Water and Wastewater Workers of Iowa Week. This week is set aside for Iowans to honor those workers in the water and wastewater industry for their commitment to representing their community, protecting public health, and caring for the environment.

Adjournment at 6:00pm

Minutes submitted by Billing Clerk Stouffer.

John Gulbranson, Chairman

Ashraf Ashour, City Administrator