

04/13/2023

The regular meeting of the Stuart Municipal Utility Board was called to order on the above date at 5:30 pm by Board Chairman Gulbranson (over the phone.) Present were Board Members Belden (over the phone,) Jones, Russell and Avey. Also present were City Administrator Ashour, Utility Superintendent Howey, Deputy Clerk Stouffer, Matt Funk, Jarrod Luze, and Ben Stouffer.

Moved by Russell, seconded by Belden to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A- Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of 03/13/2023 and Special Joint Meeting of 03/27/2023
- B- Approval of Financial Statement as of 03/31/2023
- C- Approval of bills as presented

Roll Call: All Ayes

Superintendent Howey discussed with the board the progress of the Elevated Water Storage Tank Project and Water Mains Improvements Project.

Moved by Avey, seconded by Jones to approve Payment Application No. 7 from Great Plains Contractors, LLC (\$70,399.00) for the Water Mains Improvements Project.

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

Motion carried.

Board Chairman Gulbranson discussed the City Council's consideration to apply for Tax Increment Financing (TIF) to fund the marketing proposal previously presented by Nate Westre of Main Street Marketing. The Utility Board would like the marketing plan for Stuart to include information about Utility infrastructure improvements.

Moved by Belden, seconded by Avey to support the City Council's decision to apply for Tax Increment Financing (TIF) to fund the marketing proposal from Nate Westre of Main Street Marketing.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Jarrold Luze of DGR Engineering made a presentation to the Board regarding a ten year plan to address the growing electric needs of the customers of Stuart Municipal Utilities.

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.

Adjournment at 6:45pm

Minutes submitted by Deputy Clerk Stouffer.

John Gulbranson, Chairman

Ashraf Ashour, City Administrator