Minutes

YPISILANTI COMMUNITY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Wednesday, June 28, 2017 – 4:00 p.m.
YCUA Administration Building
2777 State Road
Ypsilanti, MI  48198-9112


Members Absent:  None.

1. CALL TO ORDER:  Mr. Bodary called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:  Motion by Doe to receive and file the minutes of the May 24, 2017 meeting as presented.  Support by Ichesco.  In favor: All.  Opposed: None.  (Motion carried.)

3. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Request to Approve – Request to Seek Bids re: 2017 Ash Removal (O & M Expense Account No. 592-550) – Scott D. Westover

   Motion by Jason to approve Request to Seek Bids re: 2017 Ash Removal (O & M Expense Account No. 592-550).  Support by Doe.  In favor: All.  Opposed: None.  (Motion carried.)

B. Request to Approve – WCRC / YCUA Construction Agreement re: Harris Road Water Main Replacement (Restricted Funds Account No. 902-397) – Scott D. Westover

   Motion by Doe to approve WCRC / YCUA Construction Agreement re: Harris Road Water Main Replacement (Restricted Funds Account No. 902-397).  Support by Ichesco.

   Ms. Stumbo inquired as to whether this involves the replacement of a water main.  Mr. Castro responded affirmatively.

   In favor: All.  Opposed: None.  (Motion carried.)
C. **Fund Balance Report** – Dwayne Harrigan

Informational only; no motion from the Board required.

D. **Financial Report – Authority Net Assets** – Dwayne Harrigan

Informational only; no motion from the Board required.

E. **Usage Report – Consumption Report** – Jeff Castro

Mr. Castro directed the Board’s attention to the Usage Report – Consumption Report. He then proceeded to give a detailed report of the information contained in the report and answered questions from the Board.

Informational only; no motion from the Board required.

F. **Attorney’s Report** – Thomas E. Daniels

There was no Attorney’s Report for the month.

G. **Environmental Report** – Sreedhar Mullapudi

Mr. Mullapudi advised the Board that the public hearing for the NPDES permit took place on June 15th and YCUA is not aware of any comments or inquiries from any parties on the draft permit. He indicated that the NPDES permit is expected to be issued effective August 1, 2017. Mr. Mullapudi explained that, in light of the issuance of new NPDES permit, MDEQ conducted a Recon inspection of the YCUA wastewater treatment plant on June 13, 2017 and staff indicated no concerns from its audit inspection.

He pointed out that the YCUA incinerator repairs have been completed and start-up took place on Monday. Mr. Mullapudi also explained that incineration of biosolids is scheduled for July 5th.

Mr. Castro advised the Board that staff recently went to a SUEZ training meeting in Cleveland with other utilities throughout the country that have fluidized bed incinerators similar to YCUA’s. He indicated that they all are experiencing the same issues with their incinerators and, as it turns out, the Authority is in a lot better shape than many of the other utilities, particularly those with multiple incinerators.

Mr. Mullapudi also explained that, on June 13th, YCUA incurred an unanticipated discharge to outfall 001 of approximately 55,625 gallons of treated effluent water into Belleville Lake via Willow Run Creek. He further advised that this occurred following a three-minute loss of power control to the McGregor effluent pump station. He further advised that YCUA staff promptly advised MDEQ.
Stacey Reynolds then explained the incident in more detail. Mr. Castro indicated that similar outfall bypasses into the lake occur when preventative maintenance is scheduled for the pump station but that, since this was unplanned and no advance notice was made to MDEQ, it is considered a spill. Mr. Mullapudi interjected that it is not considered a violation because the water is fully treated.

Informational only; no motion from the Board required.

H. **Director’s Report** - Jeff Castro

There was no Director’s Report for the month.

4. **OLD BUSINESS:** There was no Old Business for the month.

5. **OTHER BUSINESS:** Kevin Welch advised the Board that YCUA has received a loss control award from the Michigan Municipal League (MML). He indicated that the Authority is a member of the MML’s Workers’ Compensation Fund, which annually evaluates its members’ claims histories. Mr. Welch explained that YCUA was awarded the lowest Experience Modification Factor rating at .72. He pointed out that a normal rating is considered 1.0. Mr. Welch also explained that this translates into a discount on the Authority’s workers’ comp insurance. He further advised that this a consistent achievement and is quite an acknowledgement of YCUA’s safety program and its employees Authority-wide.

6. **STATEMENTS AND CHECKS:** Motion by Ichesco to pay the current month’s bills in the amount of $3,741,148.27. Support by Doe. In favor: All. Opposed: None. (Motion carried.)

7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no Public Comments for the month.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Doe to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m. Support by Ichesc. In favor: All. Opposed: None. (Motion carried.)

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

JON R. ICHESCO, Secretary - Treasurer