Jewett City Department of Public Utilities Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes November 9, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Utilities Commissioners was held in the office of the DPU on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at 4:30 pm.

Chairman Demicco called the meeting to order with Comm. Throwe and Comfort. Also, in attendance were Dave Meisinger, CEO of CMEEC, Jim Barnie, and Kenneth Sullivan, Director of Utilities.

AGENDA #2 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD OF OCTOBER 12, 2022:

Comm. Comfort made the motion to approve the regular meeting minutes held on October 12, 2022 as written and presented prior to the meeting. The motion was seconded with all in favor.

AGENDA #3 READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:

Enclosed for the commissioner's information was a copy of Talcott Resolution Quarterly Statement regarding pension funds.

Also enclosed was a copy of the PUMIC Loss Report for the third quarter of 2022.

AGENDA #4 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMISSIONERS:

Chairman Demicco stated that he attended the Governance Committee and Budget meetings for CMEEC and the Borough of Jewett City Monthly Meeting.

AGENDA #5 SEWER UPDATE:

Director Sullivan stated that the WWTP chemical analysis was running below permit levels. He said that the plant was running very good and back to normal, especially after that the slug of toxic material that had caused problems. He also stated that he did not know where it could have come from.

Director Sullivan informed the Board that the progress of the Flood Wall project was on hold until spring. He also stated that funding for the project is being worked on but neither the JCDPU or the Town of Griswold has heard from them recently.

Director Sullivan reviewed a summary of what updates may be needed.

AGENDA #6 OTHER BUSINESS:

Director Sullivan stated that he has spoken with CMEEC regarding future projected power costs and he also has presented an update to the Borough of Jewett City at their recent monthly meeting that it's very likely there will be rate increases for both divisions next year.

Director Sullivan stated that a customer has recently died and had been protected from being shutoff under a Life-Threatening Medical policy. The final bill totals \$16,012.52 and Director Sullivan requests writing off this amount from our Accounts Receivables. The secretary noted she had talked to a relative that stated she has nothing and there is no estate. After some discussion, Chairman Demicco made the motion to write-off \$16,012.52 as uncollectible. The motion was seconded with all in favor.





AGENDA #7 ADDRESS PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Director Sullivan stated that he had nothing at the time of preparing this agenda.

Mr. Barnie mentioned his concern about the large balance on the account that was just written off. Director Sullivan stated that the customer was protected under a life threatening medical certificate that stopped us from taking action.

Mr. Barnie stated his concerns regarding the sewer extension projects on Rt 201 and Rt 164 and property owners not being able to tie in to the line. A discussion was held about houses that would want to tie-in to the sewer system along Route 201 and Route 164 and that Director Sullivan informed everyone that we have a policy stating that no one can be attached to any force main pipe.

AGENDA # EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Demicco made the motion to go into Executive Session at 4:40 pm to discuss ERMP (Enterprise Risk Management Policy/carbon reduction) and allow Dave Meisinger, CEO of CMEEC, and Director Sullivan to stay. The motion was seconded with all in favor.

Above is Respectfully submitted by:

Debra L. Bingell

Secretary to the Board

The meeting was moved back into regular session at 5:45 pm.

A motion was made by Chairman Demicco to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 pm. The motion was seconded by Comm. Comfort with all in favor.

Kenneth S. Sullivan Acting Secretary