



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLDEN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

September 4, 2024

Members Present:

Mr. Al West	Chairman
Ms. Kim Holger	Secretary
Mr. Doug Hayworth	Member
Mr. Rob Hough	Member
Mr. Allen Mensch	Council Liaison

Guests Present:

Mr. Tony Lerda	Superintendent
Ms. Christie Reed	Financial Coordinator
Mr. Josh Treece	Crew Supervisor
Mr. Ray Briscoe	Mayor

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM.

There was a review of the minutes from the August 7, 2024, regular meeting. **Motion** by Mr. Hayworth to approve the minutes, Mr. Hough seconded the motion, Mr. West called for a vote. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Financial Report: **Motion** by Mr. Hayworth to approve the financial statement and pay the invoices, Ms. Holger seconded the motion, Mr. West called for a vote. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

OLD BUSINESS

WATER SYSTEM –

GENERAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. Lerda stated that there have been several breaks lately. Last month Mr. Lerda stated that he had assumed the root cause was the weather. However, it since has been determined to be an issue with water hammering from people using the fire hydrants incorrectly. Mr. Hayworth described the details of “water hammer” for the board. When there is a rush of water through the pipes small air bubbles can be created, and when the flow is suddenly stopped these air pockets, or bubbles, can explode causing the PSI in the line to rise momentarily as high as 1000 PSI or more. Mr. Hough and Ms. Holger both expressed concern as to what can be done to address the issue since it is a costly misstep that the BPW is having the burden of the full cost for. Tony will contact other department officials to address this problem.

LEAD & COPPER

Mr. Lerda assured the Board that everything is coming together and close to being ready to submit. He also informed the Board that Mr. Fletchall will be working one day per week and mainly handling administrative duties.

**SEWER SYSTEM –
GENERAL ACTIVITIES**

Mr. Lerda stated that DNR had been in town and done their sampling. They had been at the lagoons just today continuing in sampling.

Ms. Holger requested updated information regarding the sale of property on the West end of town. Mr. Lerda stated that the representatives had been invited to this meeting to speak, however per City Hall, the property was under contract and therefore were no longer seeking a release. Mr. Lerda clarified that nothing had changed, they would be required to use City water. Also, if there would be more than one residence, the Mayor stated that subdivision policies would be applied.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Holger presented the Wings Academy to do painting on the hydrants for community service. There was various suggestions and items discussed, with Mr. Lerda finally stating that he would get a hydrant or two painted and see exactly what all would be entailed. After painting a hydrant, Mr. Lerda stated O & M would work with the Wings Academy group with this project.

Mr. Lerda wanted the Board to have information on a line that needs to be abandoned over by McKissick and Highway 131. A presentation was displayed showing the numerous breaks that have occurred in the last few years in that area. There was further discussion regarding laying 2" PVC pipe down to the street department building. The Mayor requested an inquiry into running through the business park to serve the Street Department, this may also help to serve the business park. After some discussion and an approximate cost of \$30,000, Mr. Lerda suggested it is best to let a business build and then the utilities be extended around their plans versus the business having to build around where utilities already exist.

MOTION by Ms. Holger to authorize the McKissick line to be abandoned as needed and replace the 2" line along N. Buffalo, seconded by Mr. Hayworth, Mr. West called for a vote. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

The final topic Mr. Lerda needed to address with the Board was concerning a new property that was constructed in a different manner than the builder had been advised to do. Now an issue has happened where an ordinance stating that service lines are not to be run along public rights-of-way or across the property of others may be violated. The Board decided that Mr. Lerda would go have a conversation with the builder regarding resolutions. The builder will also be expected to obtain all permits with designs prior to breaking ground going forward.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

The Mayor wanted to let the Board know that the Jennings house, next to Watterson Realty, had been deemed uninhabitable.

With no further comments offered, a motion was made to adjourn.

MOTION by Ms. Holger to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Hayworth, Mr. West called for a vote. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Meeting adjournment at 6:59 P.M.

Signed _____
Secretary

Date _____