

**BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
MEETING**

**Tuesday, March 14, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

The Lodi Board of Public Affairs met on the above date for a Regular Meeting. The following Board Members were present for the meeting: Gilbert, Hagelin, and Emerson. Also in attendance was Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich. Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman was absent.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson to approve the monthly bills. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Will Genkin was present to address electric service needed for two of his buildings on the village square. He needs three phase service and needs transformers for the services. He stated that he would like a letter documenting what is going to occur and how much money he is going to be charged. He would also like a time frame for the electric hook up. He also wants it documented that he will not have any problem with zoning or water connections, etc. He stated that he does not want to have any surprises when it is time to hook up the service. Electric Foreman Jeff Cool was present and stated that the county has approved his plans. The transformers will need to be ordered. Mr. Genkin reported that he has his necessary zoning approved by the village. Board Member Gilbert stated that the electric rules and regulations will be approved soon and once they are approved a copy will be provided to Mr. Genkin. The rules and regulations provide information on what is required for electric service. Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich stated that a time frame cannot be guaranteed because the village cannot control the lead time for transformers. Board Member Gilbert stated that the village will need to verify the size of water and sewer lines. The village will move forward with ordering the transformers. Other needed materials will need to be determined along with materials costs, AMP service fees, and security deposit amounts. Water Foremen Jeff Miller was present and stated that a back flow test may be needed along with a back flow preventer. Board President Hagelin informed Mr. Genkin that as long as he is not trying to get the village to do something we are not supposed to do he should have no problem.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson to approve a first reading of the General Rules and Regulation for Electric. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

Board Member Gilbert informed Mr. Genkin that the third and final reading for the electric rules and regulations will take place on April 11, 2023 and Mr. Genkin will be provided with a copy of the final document.

A resident residing at 511 Bank Street was present and reported that his five year old child pulled out an outside water hose and turned it on and it was left on. The resident did not know about it. Our water department later notified him of high water usage. He stated that he normally uses

between 4,000 to 4,500 gallons of water per month. His water reading showed that he used 22,300 gallons. He asked for the excess sewer usage to be removed from his utility bill. A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson to issue a credit for the excess amount of the sewer charge. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

NEW BUSINESS

Wastewater Foreman Christie Britt was present and gave a verbal report outlining projects the waste water department has worked on in the past quarter.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson for an expenditure of \$9,700 for a new pump for the Bank Street lift station. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

Water Foreman Jeff Miller was present and gave a verbal report outlining projects the water department has worked on in the past quarter.

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich distributed a report provided by Street Foreman Jim Lockwood outlining storm sewer projects the street department has worked on in the past quarter.

Electric Foreman Jeff Cool was present and gave a verbal report outlining projects the electric department has worked on in the past quarter.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson for an expenditure of \$49,850 to Oberlanders for electric tree trimming services. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson for an expenditure of \$10,950 to test the Krause Substation equipment prior to rebuilding. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson for an expenditure of \$4,800 for Anixter to test industrial and commercial electric meters. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson for an expenditure of \$42,000 for material to build an underbuilt three phase electric line to connect the Eaken Substation right breaker to the Schultz Substation Ohio circuit on the 69 kV poles. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

OLD BUSINESS

Superintendent's Notes – Discussion was held with Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich to update board members on current projects.

Electric Department Employment Contract – Board Member Gilbert reported that the board needs to discuss how to prorate the employment contract. The AMP lineman training program is

a four-year program. Gilbert suggests having a contract for each year with each contract commitment being one year. Further discussion will be held at the next board meeting.

Board Member Gilbert reported that the board needs to work on a list of charges associated with the new electric rules and regulations. Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich requested a copy of Wadsworth's charges. Tracy and Electric Foreman Jeff Cool are also reviewing what the village currently uses.


Living Waters Master Water Meter – A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson to waive the \$500 deposit fee for the Living Waters Apartments master water meter. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay - None

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in village council chambers.

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Emerson and seconded by Gilbert to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call: Aye – Emerson, Gilbert, and Hagelin. Nay – None.



Karl Hagelin
Board President



Annette Geissman
Clerk/Treasurer