

**BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
MEETING**

**Tuesday, September 12, 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 Emerson and seconded by Gilbert to approve the minutes of the 8-22-23 regular meeting. Upon roll call: Aye – Emerson, Gilbert, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

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.

**OLD BUSINESS**

AMP Solar, Hydro, and Wind Projects – Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that a non-binding letter of interest was submitted to AMP on 9-1-23. Lodi submitted letters of interest for 1 MW each for solar, hydro, and wind recommendations. As correspondence with AMP continues, further explanation from Craig Kleinhenz will be needed in reference to how renewables fit within Lodi's power portfolio. Board Member Gilbert reported that he spoke to Part Time Village Engineer Harold Kasten-Krause and Harold is willing to attend AMP meetings to gather information for the village. A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson to have Harold Kasten-Krause attend AMP meetings to gain more information regarding what AMP is proposing. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

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

Water Tank and Line Replacement Projects – Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that the deadline for completion of the water tank and line replacement projects is September 17, 2023. Tracy has spoken to the contractors to remind them that liquidated damages may be sought if they do not complete the projects in time.

Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Line Replacement Project – Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that the OPWC grant and financial assistance application was submitted to the Medina County Engineer on 9-1-23. Engineering Associates will continue to work on the detailed engineering drawings.

590 Oakwood Drive Storm Sewer Pipe – Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that debris was cleared out of the exit location of the 24" pipe within the creek. In the spring a headwall will be erected in this area. More work is needed to repair the end of the pipe. The village has an easement for this pipe.

Janice Street Reconstruction Project – Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that the Janice Street reconstruction project is going to be rebid due to an unbalanced bid received.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson for an expenditure of \$8,336 to purchase and replace the existing modulating actuator on the influent valve at the wastewater treatment plant. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Hagelin. Nay – None.

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that electric department employee Dange Hoge has successfully completed the first year of the AMP line worker apprenticeship program and will now participate in the on-call rotation for the electric department.

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that he has obtained three price quotes to replace the grit screw for the conveyor at the wastewater treatment plant. The following price quotes were received: \$19,957 from North Bay Construction, \$32,735 from Workman, and \$12,697 from CRS Metal Work.

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that an expenditure of \$1,620 was made to purchase a set of dies for the electric department three-ton press.

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich provided information regarding the differences between pumps and screw pumps at the wastewater treatment plant.


Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that he received a quote in the amount of \$5,300 to have the screw pumps inspected at the wastewater treatment plant.

Discussion was held regarding the need to order more water meters. The water department would like to order 144 meters at an approximate cost of \$43,000. Lead times for water meters and ERT's are approximately one to one and a half years. The water department has been working on replacing the old 50W water meters and new housing is requiring many new meters. It was determined that Water Department Employee Rick Shilling will be asked to attend the next board meeting to discuss this topic further.

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 26, 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