

**BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 23, 2024  
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, Emerson, and Ridenour. Also in attendance were Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich, Clerk-Treasurer Annette Geissman, General Foreman Joe Sadzewicz, Water Foreman Jeff Miller, Wastewater Foreman Christie Britt, Electric Foreman Jeff Cool, and Street Crew Leader Ken Triplett.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Tom Gerwig, of 106 Redfield Street, was present and discussed the yard issues he has had since Dirt Dawg did the water line project last year. Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that he has a meeting scheduled with Engineering Associates to view the project area. Tom also asked about the price per gallon for water coming out of the water plant that will be used for the splash pad. Water Foreman Jeff Miller explained that the cost per gallon of water coming out of the plant is approximately .01 cent per gallon.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Ridenour to approve the minutes of the 4-9-24 regular meeting. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Ridenour, and Emerson. Nay – None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Ridenour for an expenditure of \$13,000 to Ohio Drilling for a motor repair to water well #5. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Ridenour, and Emerson. Nay – None.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Ridenour for an expenditure of \$3,500 to Dixon Engineering & Inspection Services to inspect and provide a report for the Highland Drive water tower. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Ridenour, and Emerson. Nay – None.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Ridenour for an expenditure not to exceed \$74,000 to Workman Industrial Services, Inc., to remove and replace the media for a filter tank at the water treatment plant. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Ridenour, and Emerson. Nay – None.

Electric Foreman Jeff Cool 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 Ridenour for an expenditure of \$2,770.83 to Power Line Supply for a load breaker and pick up tool for the electric department. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Ridenour, and Emerson. Nay – None.

A motion was made by Emerson and seconded by Gilbert for an expenditure of \$48,000 to Oberlander's Tree and Landscape for electric department tree trimming services. Upon roll call: Aye – Emerson, Gilbert, and Ridenour. Nay – None

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Ridenour for an expenditure of \$8,305 to Power Line Supply for a cable puller. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Ridenour, and Emerson. Nay – None.

Wastewater Foreman Christie Britt gave a verbal report outlining projects the wastewater department has worked on in the past quarter.

A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Emerson for an expenditure of \$3,500 to repair a fence at the wastewater treatment plant. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Emerson, and Ridenour. Nay – None.

Street Crew Leader Ken Triplett gave a verbal report outlining storm sewer projects the street department has worked on in the past quarter.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that First Energy is looking into providing a second electric feed line into the village.

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

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that he and Board President Paul Emerson met with Holly Bueck to discuss an appropriate price for the portion of the parcel the board is interested in purchasing to expand the Krause substation. Tracy suggested a price of \$22,000 to purchase the property. Holly reported that she will discuss the price with her sisters who co-own the property with her and report back to Tracy.

Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich reported that he emailed board members a quote of \$49,980 for 5K Roofing to side the Harris Road storage building.


Clerk-Treasurer discussed a request from James Letzelter to remove a late fee penalty and reconnect fee for a utility bill check payment that he stated was placed in the night drop box on the evening of March 25, 2024. The utility office has no record of the payment. Since it is uncertain what occurred in this situation a motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Ridenour to remove the late penalty fee of \$10.59 and the reconnect fee of \$40 for this account this one time only. Upon roll call: Aye – Gilbert, Ridenour, and Emerson. Nay – None.

Board Member Ridenour asked if Utility Superintendent Tracy Haltrich was able to get quotes for cameras for utility buildings. Tracy responded that he has reached out to Javorsky Communications but has not received the quote yet.

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024.

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

  
**Paul Emerson**  
**Board President**

  
**Annette Geissman**  
**Clerk/Treasurer**