

MINUTES OF THE UTILITY BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 2006

Chm. Dan Ziemer.....X	Don Sawall.....X
Robert Gay.....X	Ella Lewis.....X
Richard Beggs.....X	

Also in attendance were Brad Rokus, Nancy Wieneke, Robert Stanislawski and Penny Kettenhoven.

Chairperson Dan Ziemer called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with all members present.

Moved by Gay, seconded by Lewis to approve the regular and special meeting minutes from October 3, and October 24. Motion carried.

Moved by Lewis, seconded by Beggs to approve the monthly bills in the amount of \$619,051.04. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**Citizens Forum-** No citizens were present.

**Layne Northwest** – The fieldwork has started today for Phase I. They will continue to check the sites for a possible new well in the future. More information will be available at next month’s meeting.

**Ayres and Associates-** This company works with utilities that have problems in the drinking water. One option that would help with the arsenic levels is to build a water reservoir for blending. (The water would combine with other wells before entering the water tower. It is a ground level enclosed tank, similar to the one Shawano has.) Ayres and Associates would also help with getting grant money that is available to utilities that qualify. The new well option (see Layne Northwest above) should continue because the DNR wants Well #2 shut down immediately. Ayres and Associates will check into the funding for this, if they do study it will take approximately 90 days. This option would be a long-term method to satisfy the issues. Available money, in grants and low interest loans, for the blending water reservoir could be as much as 25%-50% for the project. It would require approximately two acres on W 1<sup>st</sup> Street and would have two pumps. If the other two wells went bad, water pipes from the other wells could be connected to this water reservoir. Right now there are two grants available for 2006. One is from the USDA and the other is a low interest loan from the Clean Water Act.

The board suggested that for long range planning we should still explore potential sites for a new well. If we put up \$15,000.00, Ayres and Associates will find matching funds up to \$10,000.00. Moved by Gay, seconded by Sawall to do this study up to \$15,000.00. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**Outages-** There were three outages for October 2006. One, due to lightning affected one customer for one hour. The second unscheduled outage was a tree branch, which caused 350 customers to see two blinks less than 10 seconds on our system. The last outage was scheduled with two customers out for two hours. The line crew has been very busy with all new services going in such as Aurora, Jepson Trucking, Feed Mill, Theda Care and the apartments on 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Water Breaks-** There were two water service leaks. One leak was on Folkman and the other was on E 15<sup>th</sup> Street. These were old lead services from the 1920's. The main in the area is from 1911 and is still in good shape.

**Electric and Water Budgets 2007-** A special meeting was held on October 24, 2006 and went into detail on each account. No other questions were asked. Moved by Gay, Seconded by Lewis to approve the electric and water budgets for 2007. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**Audit-** A progress report was given to the board on the recommendations from the auditors.

**Meetings attended and upcoming-** Great Lakes Utilities annual meeting was held in Shawano with some of the board members attending. It was very informative. The speaker from MISO was very detailed, at times overwhelming with information. Clintonville and Shawano are still on the right track and saving money by being a Great Lakes Utility member.

**Finance & Collection-** Electric, Water and Sewer delinquent reports were reviewed for October 2006. Financials for September 2006 were reviewed. Electric has a gain of \$208,465.56 thru September 2006. Water had a gain of \$34,875.31 thru September 2006.

Next meeting date was set for Tuesday, December 5, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at city hall. Moved by Gay, seconded by Sawall to adjourn at 4:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary  
Penny Kettenhoven

