

MINUTES OF THE UTILITY BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 5, 2004

Chm. Tom Lederer.....X  
Robert Gay.....X  
Karen Siewert.....X

Don Sawall.....X  
Kay Paulson.....X

Also in attendance were John Boogren, General Manager, Penny Kettenhoven, and Nancy Wieneke of Clintonville Publishing, Richard Beggs and T.J. Tooley.

Chairperson Lederer called the meeting to order at 4:49 p.m. Roll call was taken with all members present.

Moved by Gay, seconded by Lederer to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 2, 2004. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Moved by Siewert, seconded by Lederer to approve the monthly bills in the amount of \$430,898.40 Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

T.J. Tooley, a customer of Clintonville Utilities, came to the meeting to speak. His questions were who had to final say in how the rates were changed. Why did the residential customers bill go up 9.8% and Walker Forge only went up 3.5%? After brief discussion it was decided to try and get someone from the Public Service Commission to our Utility Board meeting to answer questions.

After brief discussion on the cost of the utilities audit it was decided the utilities should go out for bids this upcoming year 2004. Moved by Siewert, seconded by Paulson to recommend to council to solicit bids either as a separate entity or with the city for next year's audit. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

After further discussion of the audit a motion for council to follow the utilities example was made. Moved by Lederer and seconded by Gay to recommend that the council solicits bids for the city upcoming audit of 2004. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**CLEC-** Clintonville Utilities has their license for broadband. This will allow the utilities to possibly sell services like the Internet in the future if they chose to.

**Customer Service-** The new computer software from Northern Data Systems will be installed tomorrow.

**Meetings attended and upcoming-** A meeting with Great Lakes Utilities discussed the delay of the generator being installed. It now looks like a Jan 2006 start up date. John Boogren will be at the Rural Water Conference in Green Bay the next few days.

**Line Project Updates-** Tree trimming is done. One drop needs to be cut over yet. Still changing wire from last summers project with the phone company on Harriet Street. Tyler Coddington has graduated and had a score of 93.5% on his journeymen's test. Congratulations Tyler!! Clintonville Utilities has also won the American Public Power Association award for safety.

**Water Breaks-** There were no water breaks in March 2004.

**Outages-** There was one outage on March 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00pm due to the fact that a raccoon got fried in our substation. This caused a blink on almost the whole system for 2 seconds.

Siewert leaves at 5:50p.m.

**Finance & Collection-** Financials were reviewed. The auditors promised I would have numbers this morning from 2003 and I still do not have them. Hopefully next month we can go over last year's numbers.

Next meeting date was set for Tuesday, May 4, 2004 at 4:00 P.M. at City Hall. Moved by Gay, and seconded by Lederer to adjourn at 6:00pm. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary  
Penny Kettenhoven



