

**FOSTERBURG WATER DISTRICT  
MINUTES – BOARD MEETING  
December 20, 2023**

The regular meeting of the District Board was called to order by the Chairman at 7:00 p.m. at the District office. Additions to the agenda were O & M bills for approval.

Roll was called with the following board members present: Steve Strohbeck, Kerry Bertels, Robert Kercher, Brad Huette, Tricia Sisk and Fred Bort were present. Also present were Mark Voumard and Kim Owens. Steve Ruppert absent.

DELGATIONS: Rhonda Leach was present to discuss the water line hit at the fire house in Dorsey. The community puts a tree up each year for ceremonial Christmas Tree lighting and no one called locates so the water line to the fire house was inevitably hit. The board will discuss how much to charge for the incident and let them know.

The minutes of the November 15, 2023 copies of which had been forwarded to the Board, were reviewed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER SECONDED BY FRED BORT THAT THE MINUTES FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING BE APPROVED WITH ONE CORRECTION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The November Treasurer's report, a copy of which had been forwarded to the Board, was reviewed and questions answered. Income reported for November \$205,754.30, bank interest \$10,688.02, expenses \$272,614.34 and depreciation \$40,255.82 resulting in a loss of \$96,427.84. Transfers among accounts for the months were also reported.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER AND SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS THAT THE NOVEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

O & M bills for December previously sent to the Board, were presented along with additional bills for discussion and payment approval and questions were answered.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY BERTELS AND SECONDED BY TRICIA SISK THAT THE DECEMBER O & M BILLS BE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHECKS BE ISSUED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

OLD BUSINESS

WORK REPORT: Grant for creek crossing is approved. Boring rig is being repaired. Meters in area 2&3 are being GPSed. Vandevanter is willing to loan a pump to see if the problem is in the piping or discharge.

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Bulk Load Report:

Culp Lane	\$213.25	63,600 gal	74.56 gal/cn
Prairietown	\$223.00	65,800 gal	73.76 gal/cn

**MANAGER REPORT:**

Discussion on the Fire Department line repair – consensus is to charge for materials only. Loan has been submitted. Archaeology study is holding up things on project but there is no red flags. Grant money should be decided next month.

**Illinois Alluvial Regional Water Company update** – A letter is going out to the easement hold outs on explaining eminent domain.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2024 Budget** – Manager explained the budget is a 2 year plan.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER AND SECONDED BY BRAD HUETTE THAT THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2024 BE APPROVED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Water Rate & Tap On Increase** – Discussion on the proposed rates.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER AND SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS TO INCREASE THE RATE FOR CUSTOMER BY 51.5% AND BUNKER HILL 48% ALONG WITH ¾” TAP ON TO \$2,700 AND 1” TAP ON TO \$3,300. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

*Kimberlee J. Owens*

Secretary/Treasurer