

**JOHNSTOWN WATER BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2015**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

NICHOLAS CANNIZZO, PRESIDENT
JOHN PRADELSKI, BOARD MEMBER
ANTHONY CARUSO, BOARD MEMBER
GEORGE DIMARCO, BOARD MEMBER
SCOTT JEFFERS, BOARD MEMBER
BRETT PRESTON, CITY ATTORNEY
KATHY IANNOTTI, COMMON COUNCIL
MICHAEL HLOZANSKY, SENIOR PLANT OPERATOR
CINDA SPRAKER, CLERK OF THE WATER BOARD

EXCUSED:

PUBLIC SPEAKERS: Nick said Chad Kortz will not be speaking tonight as originally scheduled.

FINANCIAL

AUDIT COMMITTEE: Vouchers were approved for payment by George DiMarco and Anthony Caruso

Financial reports were provided. Cinda explained the charges that John Pradelski had questions on for 2 line items. George discussed needing to make a correction to the 2015 budget. Cinda will prepare a Resolution for the March meeting to amend the budget.

CARRIED

MINUTES: A motion to accept the minutes of the January meetings was made by John Pradelski seconded by Scott Jeffers. George suggested having Cinda mail or email the meeting minutes to the Board members once she completes them.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Board reviewed the 2014 Annual Quality Water Report and the Water Usage Report. The Board reviewed a request from Thomas Krum for a high water bill. The customer had a leaking toilet. The Rules and Regulations state that any water that passes through the meter must be paid for.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS: (ATTACHED)

A motion was made by John Pradelski and seconded by George DiMarco to approve the February 2015 billing levy. All Board members agreed.

RESOLUTION #9 2015 by Nicholas Cannizzo seconded by Scott Jeffers approving the 2015 committees

FILTRATION & DISTRIBUTION: Mike and Wade submitted their monthly reports. Mike answered John's questions that he had on Mike's report. John would also like a count on how many dig safely requests the distribution crew does per month.

OLD BUSINESS: Litigation on the watershed will be discussed in executive session. Nick suggested a Board member attend the Common Council meetings. Scott volunteered to attend the meetings. The Board members agreed that it was good idea. George said the cameras with audio and sensors will be \$1,980.00. John asked if we had the funding to pay for it. That line item has \$2,000 allotted to it for 2015. Anthony Caruso made a motion seconded by John Pradelski to have the cameras installed. George will contact the contractor to check his availability.

NEW BUSINESS: Nick informed the Board that 2 of the distribution employees are working nights to clear hydrants out. There will be a pay differential paid to these employees. Anthony questions the employees "volunteering" to work at night. Anthony wanted to make sure these employees are being paid accordingly. Nick stated when the work load is this great that employees not be allowed to take a personal day. George said the personnel committee should discuss that with the employees. Nick said it should be Mike's decision whether or not to allow employees to take a personal day. John wants to make sure that all employees are at work when the guys are split between days and nights. Mike asked if a notification could be put in the paper thanking everyone for assisting in keeping the fire hydrants cleared. John shared an employee performance review with the Board that he had made a draft of. The personnel committee would sit and talk with the employee, get information from Mike Hlozansky and consider any other comments. Mike Hlozansky said that George Bevington used to do reviews and Chad Kortz did them once. The Board will make a decision on the reviews next month. John asked about the work that will need to be done in the spring 2015 at Larrabee. George will contact GPI and get some information. The Board reviewed a quote for a new Bobcat that Nick presented. Mike updated the Board on 2 reports

that he prepared and submitted to Sarah Nowah of the NYS Department of Health. Anthony asked if a meeting between with 2 members of the council and two members of the water board had been scheduled yet. Kathi Iannotti will arrange the meeting with herself and Chris Swatt. Anthony asked why the council hasn't made any statements on smart water. Kathi said no one has approached the council yet. Nick said the talks continue with the Town of Mohawk according to the Mayor. The Mayor suggested upgrading the water system but Nick said the Board should wait to see what happens with the talks. Chad Kortz from C.T. Male will be at the March meeting with his findings of the recent water study.

A motion to enter into executive session for litigation and personnel was made by Nicholas Cannizzo seconded by Anthony Caruso

A motion to exit executive session was made by Nicholas Cannizzo seconded by Anthony Caruso

A motion to adjourn was made by Nicholas Cannizzo seconded by Anthony Caruso

The meeting ended at 4:30 p.m.