

JOHNSTOWN WATER BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2015

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

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

EXCUSED:

BRETT PRESTON, CITY ATTORNEY

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

FINANCIAL

AUDIT COMMITTEE: Vouchers were approved for payment by Nicholas Cannizzo and George DiMarco
CARRIED

George asked why the F0522 account was now a negative. Cinda said she did not know why it was a negative. George also questioned 2 other lines that have remained the same for months. Cinda did not know and will check with Mike Gifford. Nick said Mike Gifford should not be changing our budget. Anthony said that is a red flag. Nick said Mike should be contacting the finance committee or Cindy before any changes are made and Cinda should be making any necessary changes. George said he has been unable to catch up with Mike. Cinda was instructed to call Mike Gifford and schedule a meeting for Anthony and George to meet with Mike.

MINUTES: A motion to accept the minutes of the March meeting was made by Anthony Caruso seconded by John Pradelski

CORRESPONDENCE: A motion to accept the revised February 2015 billing levy was made by George DiMarco seconded by Anthony Caruso. All Board members agreed.

FILTRATION & DISTRIBUTION: Mike answered John's questions about the seminars the employees are attending. The Board discussed buying a hammer for the backhoe. The Board agreed to spend \$11,809.41 to purchase the hammer. Mike also updated the Board on the meter replacements. Mike said the distribution crew will be making repairs to lawns, roads, etc that were disturbed this winter. We are waiting for an appointment with Fulton County Electric to check our tanks per the NYSDEC inspection. Mike said Hydro Qual is starting to draw again. The draw is very demanding so Mike is doing his best to accommodate their schedule. The Board requested Cinda and Mike prepare a letter for Nick to sign and send to Hydro Qual explaining the system limitations. John asked about the additional miles on the jeep.

OLD BUSINESS: Nick said we will be receiving a refund on our property taxes. Nick said the city attorney should send the town a letter requesting the refund and impose a penalty fee if needed. Anthony asked when Chad will have more information for the Board. Nick said he didn't know but he will call Chad tomorrow.

NEW BUSINESS: Nick told the Board we now have to pay fire protection on our tax bills according to Cathy Oare. Mike told the Board that we give all the volunteer fire departments free water for fire protection. The Board asked Cinda to contact the forester and ask him to attend the May Board meeting to give an update on our timber sales. If the May meeting isn't accommodating the Board will meet with him when he is available. The Board discussed providing more water to Fulton County Water District #1 and to users outside the City. Cinda asked the Board to review how to collect from outside users that don't pay their water bill. She will provide Nick a list of outstanding accounts that are outside the City.

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

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

The meeting ended at 7:30p.m.