

**NORTH VERNON
UTILITY SERVICE BOARD MEETING
February 3, 2020
6:00 p.m.**

Board Members Terms: Barbara Patterson(R) (M), Warren Alexander (R) (M), Patrick Kirchner (D) (C), Terry Thompson (R) (M), Matt Hurley (D) (C)

The North Vernon Utilities Service Board met on February 3, 2020 at the Carnegie/Government Center. Members present: Terry Thompson, Barbara Patterson, Patrick Kirchner, and Matt Hurley

Also attending the meeting: Russell Vaught Wastewater Superintendent, Will Spencer Water Superintendent, Richard Morin City Engineer, Chris Doran Attorney, Nikki Hatfield Administrative Assistant.

The agenda given to each Utility Service Board Member is as follows:

- I. **Roll Call:** Warren Alexander is absent.
- II. **Approval of minutes previous meeting:** Patrick Kirchner makes a motion to approve the January 21, 2020 minutes. Matt Hurley seconds. 4-0
- III. **Public Comment:** N/A
- IV. **Storm Water Report:** Sara Steinrock is here to present the first grant draw at 60% of the agreed rate. Sara reports that Mike Gangsted says the plan is moving along. Sara reports that Lochmuller Group is building a model as to how the storm water moves in certain areas within the city. With this they can make changes to see what would benefit the city in the areas that have storm water issues.
- V. **Wastewater Department Reports & Info**
 - **Collection System:** Russell Vaught reports that he has filled out The NPDS Report. The storm king met the Effluent Limits for all of our parameters.
 - **Treatment Plant:** Russell Vaught reports that on Thursday sewer was backing up at St Mary's School. The sewer cap was broken which caused the issue. It has since been fixed. Russell reports that O'Mara is working on a project on Thomas Street, removing a tree stump so that a new sewer line can be put in place. Russell reports that extensive grease trap inspections will be happening in the next month. Russell reports that the Waste Water Plant is running well. The remaining parts for the clarifier have arrived. Russell reports that he and Mayor Mike Ochs will be asking for contractor qualifications for The Phosphors Plan. If this project is not done correctly it could cost roughly \$25,000.00 (Twenty-Five thousand dollars) a day in fines. Russell reports that all treatment plants will eventually be required to have a Phosphors limit.
- VI. **Water Department & Treatment Plant:**

- **Distribution System:** Will Spencer reports that there was a main break on Oakridge Drive. Distribution was able to locate and fix the break. Will reports that distribution is continuing to replace old large meters with new meters.
- **Treatment Plant:** Will reports that Xylem serviced the second river pump, it is now functional.

VII. Utility Administration Report:

- **Claims and Transfers:** Matt Hurley makes motion to approve all claims. Patrick Kirchner seconds. 4-0
- Patrick Kirchner makes a motion to approve the Dave O'Mara claim for the annexation project in the amount of \$69,839.16 (Sixty-nine thousand, eight hundred thirty-nine dollars and sixteen cents) Terry Thompson seconds. 4-0
- **Office Report:** Nikki Hatfield reports that the office is running well. Bills were mailed out last week.

VI: Chris Doran:

- Chris Doran reports about a lien that was placed in 2016. Chris Doran reports that we are still researching whether North Vernon Municipal Utilities has received the check or not.

VII: Unfinished Business:

- **Quarry Update:** Will Spencer reports that the quarry hardness level is at 520 as of today. Last week the quarry was at a 560-hardness level.
- **Annexation:** Richard Morin reports that the Wastewater Department and Dave O'Mara Contractors have tracked down an issue of excess water. Russell Vaught is monitoring the pumps. The issue appears to be fixed. Russell reports that the 90-day sewer annexation letters will be finalized this week and sent out.

VIII. City Council update: N/A

IX. New Business: N/A

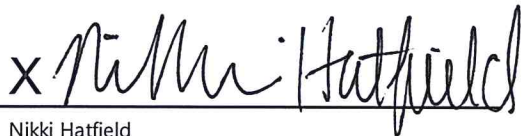
Patrick Kirchner makes a motion to adjourn. Barb Patterson seconds. 4-0

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Terry Thompson
Utility Service Board Chairman

X 2-18-20

Date

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Nikki Hatfield
Utility Board Secretary

X 2/18/2020

Date