

HIAWATHA WATER BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 5:30 pm

HIAWATHA COUNCIL CHAMBERS (101 Emmons Street Upper Floor)

1. Call to Order

Minutes:

Meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM by Chairperson Carl Ransford in the Council Chambers. Member's present were Patrick White, Robert Rampulla, Ruth Hospodarsky and Troy Andersen. Also present was Council Liaison Steve Dodson, Water Superintendent Marty Recker and Water Clerk I Stacey Carter. Roll was called.

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Agenda

Minutes:

Robert Rampulla moved the approval of the agenda. Troy Andersen seconded. Motion Carried.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

Minutes:

Ruth Hospodarsky moved the approval of the consent agenda: March regular meeting minutes, March financial report and bills. Patrick White seconded. Motion Carried.

- a. Water Board Minutes
- **b.** Water Department Financial Report
- c. Water Department Bills

5. Business

a. Discussion: Derecho Tree Water Credit

Minutes:

Marty proposed to the Water Board that the Water Department provide Hiawatha residents with a credit on their bill, for those who plant a tree in 2021 or 2022. This is to help offset the cost of water used to replace trees lost in the derecho. This would be a one-time credit of \$15.00 per household. This is the approximate dollar amount to water 1 tree for 2 years based on our current commodity charge. The customer will need to provide proof of tree planting thru the Building or Parks Department to qualify.

Ruth Hospodarsky made a motion to go forward with the \$15.00 Derecho Tree Water Credit. Robert Rampulla seconded. Motion carried.

6. Superintendents Report

Minutes:

There will be a public hearing at the June 21, 2022 Water Board Meeting in regards to the commodity rate continuation of 7%. This rate change is to take affect July 1st, 2022. There will be information on this in Hiawatha's May newsletter.

Staff has begun the 2022 hydrant flushing program with a goal to be completed by May 5th, 2022. The valve exercise program will follow.

The Backwash Detention Tank project at 2030 Boyson Rd began April 4th, 2022 and is projected to be completed around May 31, 2022.

A new water main is being installed along Tower Terrace.

7. Non-Agenda Item Discussion

8. Adjourn Meeting

Minutes:

Robert Rampulla moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 pm. Troy Andersen seconded. Motion carried.

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