**INDIAN LAKE OHIO**

**VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT**

**BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS MEETING**

**MINUTES: July 10, 2023**

Ms. Libby Stidam called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Pat Cochenour, present; Ms. Libby Stidam, present; Ms. Mary Herring, present

Recorder: Mr. Jeff Weidner, Fiscal Officer

Guests: Mr. Greg Iiams, Council Member

Mr. Dan Tynan, Water Superintendent

Minutes: June 26, 2023 Meeting

*Ms. Mary Herring made a motion to approve the June 26, 2023 minutes as written.*

*Ms. Libby Stidam seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Pat Cochenour, yea; Ms. Mary Herring, yea; Ms. Libby Stidam, yea.*

*The motion passed: 3 yeas – 0 nays*

Vouchers: *Ms. Libby Stidam made a motion to approve the bills as paid by the Fiscal Officer.*

*Ms. Pat Cochenour seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Pat Cochenour, yea; Ms. Mary Herring, yea; Ms. Libby Stidam, yea.*

*The motion passed: 3 yeas – 0 nays*

**REPORTS:**

1. Water Loss Report

The June water loss was 21.0% with an annual average of 28.2%.

**ADJUSTMENTS:** None

**RESOLUTIONS:** None

**CITIZEN’S COMMENTS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Ohio EPA Loan – Water meters

Mr. Weidner informed the board that the loan will not be awarded in August. After he contacted the EPA to request further information he was told the project is required to have an approved bid packet prepared and advertised in accordance with Federal requirements. He also learned that there is an application fee involved which is based on the loan amount and is estimated to be around $9,000 to $11,000, and that this will not be a zero-interest loan but will be low interest and the final rate will be determined during the closing of the loan. He has already reached out to Choice One Engineering to get an idea of cost to prepare the bid packet which they estimate to be around $5,000 to $6,000.

Ms. Cindy Lakes, representative from RCAP, called during the meeting to let the board know that RCAP is available to assist the village in the preparation of the EPA loan application and to answer any questions the board may have. She told the board that this will be a simple (not compounded), low interest loan and the rate is based on the term of the loan which is currently 2.12% for a 5-20 year loan, or 2.33% for a 21-30 year loan. She will be checking to see if RCAP can assist in the preparation of the bid packet required.

1. SOC Results

Testing is required every three years for synthetic organic compounds. All indicators came back as non-detectable.

1. Herbicide

It was determined that a combination of vinegar and salt can be used in the source water protection area to kill weeds.

1. Large Water Meter Purchase

The two large meters that were on order was cancelled in anticipation of the EPA loan to purchase the new type of meters village wide.

1. Fire Flow Testing

CTI has completed the testing in the area of the new hotel and have acceptable results.

1. Water Plant Open House

The board would like to have an open house for Council members to see all of the changes that have been made at the water plant on August 28th at 6:00 p.m. It will need to be determined if this will need to be advertised as a special meeting.

*Ms. Mary Herring moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Libby Stidam seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Pat Cochenour, yea; Ms. Mary Herring, yea; Ms. Libby Stidam, yea.*

*The motion passed: 3 yeas – 0 nays*

The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: **Monday, July 24, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

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Jeff Weidner, Fiscal Officer BPA Chairperson Libby Stidam

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