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Osceola Township Utility Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2024, 6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Utility Board was called to order by Supervisor Mark Halkola on August 14, 2024, at 6:00 PM. Board members present were Mark Halkola, Christa Gardner, Christina Gardner, Don Wareham, and Aaron Janke.

Motion by Wareham, supported by Christina Gardner, to approve the agenda as presented. AVIF

Motion by Christina Gardner, supported by Wareham, to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2024, meeting; and the minutes of the July 10, 2024, meeting. AVIF

Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke, to accept the OT Utility and Mason Wastewater financial reports as presented. AVIF

Motion by Janke, supported by Christa Gardner for payment of the bills. AVIF

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 6:04 PM. No public comment was offered. Public comment closed at 6:05 PM.

Reports:

- a. Operator's Report: Ron Kokkonen gave a verbal report. Pumpage reports for June and July were submitted. Did reads in TC and DB on the first of August. Pothole company is in town. Requesting to purchase four standpipes and rods, two rolls of copper, and "t's" for meter horns. Motion by Wareham, supported by Christina Gardner, to recommend the purchase of the requested supplies to the township board. AVIF
- b. Secretary's Report: Written report for June and July submitted.
- c. Mason Sewer Operator's Report: Jim Siira gave a verbal report. August 3 talked to Bay Electric about a cord for the generator. Needs to cut grass at the lift station. Things are going well.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Water Project update – Andrew Keranen from UPEA reports that we received a preliminary score for the Drinking Water SRF application. Because the Wellhead Protection Plan is expired, we were docked 15 points. We will find out the preliminary ranking in September, with a final decision in October. Danielson Contracting started on the gooseneck project this week.

New Business:

- a. Gooseneck Location Work – handout
- b. Non-Profit resident request – a letter was submitted by a resident with a non-profit regarding water. The request was discussed, and additional information needs to be sought.

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 6:40 PM. Kaylee Laplander from Dollar Bay had a question about the potholing notices, and how to schedule. Public comment closed at 6:42 PM.

A motion was made by Janke, supported by Wareham to adjourn at 6:42 PM. AVIF

The next meeting will be held on September 11, 2024, at the Osceola Township office Board Room.