

A regular meeting of the Gratiot Area Water Authority was held virtually via Zoom and called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chairperson Kurt Giles. A quorum of the Authority Board was present.

Roll Call

Authority members present: Kurt Giles, Matt Schooley, Roxann Harrington, Melissa Allen, Tom Reed, and Jim Wheeler.

Authority members not present:

Others present: David Ringle, Keith Risdon, and John Willemin.

Election of Officers

Motion by Authority Member Reed, seconded by Authority Member Wheeler, to appoint Kurt Giles as Chairman, Mathew Schooley as Vice-Chairman, Roxann Harrington as Secretary, and Kim Fellows as Recording Secretary, close nominations, and declare that they be elected. Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Aye: Giles, Schooley, Harrington, Allen, Reed, and Wheeler.

Nay: none.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Authority Member Schooley, seconded by Authority Member Harrington, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Aye: Giles, Schooley, Harrington, Allen, Reed, and Wheeler.

Nay: none.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Authority Member Reed, seconded by Authority Member Wheeler, to approve the minutes of January 8, 2021. Motion carried with roll call vote.

Aye: Giles, Schooley, Harrington, Allen, Reed, and Wheeler.

Nay: none.

Communications

Requests for Payment

Requests for Purchase

Recommendations on Bids

New Business

Unfinished Business

Reports

Chairman Giles offered the Water Production Report for consideration. A brief discussion followed.

Chairman Giles asked John Willemin of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber to give construction updates on Well #12. Members agreed.

John Willemin addressed the Authority and provided an update on Well #12. The surveyors should be done this week and the soil borings done next week. Once these are done then the location of the building can be determined. Approval from EGLE has been granted to proceed. Input needs to be gathered for the

State Historical Office regarding any houses along the route which may need work. There was discussion about sending letters to residents to get their water tested/monitored before and after the well is put in to make sure there are no issues. They hope that the health department will assist in the water testing again. A brief discussion followed regarding what residents would be notified about the work to be done. John mentioned they would like to keep going with the ground water monitoring and continue through the Well #12 project. Chairman Giles agreed with the decision. Chairman Giles also mentioned the grant was extended with the EPA through December 2021. They hope to get most of the projects done during this time.

Motion by Authority Member Allen, seconded by Authority Member Harrington, to receive the December 2020 Water Production Report, Financial Statements for December 2020, and John Willemin's report regarding Well #12. Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Aye: Giles, Schooley, Harrington, Allen, Reed, and Wheeler.

Nay: none.

Appropriations

A brief discussion followed, brought up by Member Allen, regarding the Advance Glass Water Treatment Plant repairs. Chairman Giles and Dave Ringle both mentioned it was a Capitol Improvement Project.

Motion by Authority Member Reed, seconded by Authority Member Wheeler, to approve and ratify the claims and accounts for December 2020 in the amount of \$111,746.23. Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Aye: Giles, Schooley, Harrington, Allen, Reed, and Wheeler.

Nay: none.

Public Comment

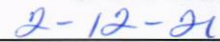
No public comment offered.

Adjournment

Motion by Authority Member Wheeler, seconded by Authority Member Allen, to adjourn the meeting. Chairperson Giles adjourned the meeting at 12:36 p.m.



Kim Fellows, Recording Secretary



Date of Approval