

A regular meeting of the Gratiot Area Water authority was held virtually via Zoom and called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Chairman Kurt Giles. A quorum of the Authority Board was present.

Roll Call

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

Authority Board members absent: Bill Leonard.

Others present: Keith Risdon, Kent Nothstine, John Willemin, Abby Varner

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Board Member Wheeler, seconded by Board Member Schooley, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried with a voice vote.

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

Nay: none.

Absent: Leonard.

Approval of Minutes

Brief discussion about an item in the minutes regarding missing samples. No changes to the minutes were suggested.

Motion by Board Member Reed, seconded by Board Member Harrington, to approve the minutes of August 13, 2021, as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

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

Nay: none.

Absent: Leonard.

Communications

Requests for Payment & Purchase

Recommendations on Bids

New Business

Unfinished Business

Reports

Chairman Giles reviewed the Water Production Report for August. No comments or suggestions were offered by Board Members. Water Plant Superintendent Kent Nothstine gave a brief update on water issues in the city.

Chairman Giles reviewed the Financial Statements for August. No comments or suggestions were offered.

John Willemin of ~~Fleis & Vandenbrink~~ Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, gave a status update on the SLWSR construction project. The hydro-geo report and manuals and drawings have been submitted to the state for review and approval. Approval of the hydro-geo report is necessary before the Part 399 Permit can be issued. No information is available regarding a timeline for approval. As soon as the permit is issued, Rowe will begin work with St. Louis on the bidding process, with spring/summer construction as a goal. The next project will be the well abandonment project, but we still need to reach out to Arcada Township. Brief discussion followed about Arcada Township requirements.

Motion by Board Member Wheeler, seconded by Board Member Reed, to receive the August Water Production Report, August Financial Statements, and SLWSR Construction Update. Motion carried with a voice vote.

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

Nay: none.

Absent: Leonard.

Appropriations

Motion by Board Member Reed, seconded by Board Member Schooley, to approve and ratify the claims and accounts for August 2021 in the amount of \$ 54,012.89. Motion carried with a voice vote.

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

Nay: none.

Absent: Leonard.

Public Comment

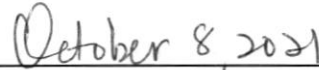
No public comment was offered.

Adjournment

Motion by Board Member Harrington, seconded by Board Member Wheeler, to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Giles adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.



Sara Anderson, Recording Secretary



Date of Approval