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**VALPARAISO CITY UTILITIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES**

February 9, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Valparaiso City Utilities met at the Valparaiso City Utilities Board Room, 205 Billings Street, Valparaiso, Indiana on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 5:00 P.M.

Board Members present were: President David Bengs, Vice President Mike Sur, and Assistant Secretary Kurt Minko. Also present were staff members: Utilities Director Steve Poulos, Attorney Mike Langer, Controller Alina Hahn, Administrative Assistant Peggy Busse, C&D Manager Mark Geskey, Customer Service & Billing Manager Jordan Meinert and Deputy Engineer Adam McAlpine.

- The minutes of the January 26, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- The Board reviewed and approved the submitted claims.
- Alina Hahn presented the December 2015 Financials with an end-of-year financial summary. December 2015 Financials were reviewed and approved.
- Alina presented the January 2016 Financials which were reviewed and approved.
- In accordance with new recommended ISBOA guidelines, Alina requested the approval of an increase of public official bond amounts to \$15,000 for each VCU Board member as well as Utilities Director Steve Poulos with bond terms to run from January 1 to December 31 of each year. She also requested approval for a separate blanket bond in the amount of \$300,000 to cover "faithful performance" of VCU employees. The VCU Board approved the amounts and terms of these bonds.
- Mark Geskey requested acceptance of the sanitary sewer and storm sewer infrastructures for the Mistwood Subdivision Phase 2 Unit 1 which have been televised and inspected by VCU. Upon Mark's recommendation, the Board approved the Mistwood Subdivision Phase 2 Unit 1 infrastructure.
- Steve Poulos requested approval of the amendment to the 2005 License Agreement with the Porter County Municipal Airport Authority to adjust the rental amount to reflect the decommissioning of two wells and the construction of one additional well during the Water Project Upgrade. The VCU Board approved the Amendment to the License Agreement with Porter County Municipal Airport Authority.
- Steve Poulos requested approval to change VCU insurance carriers for 2016. A recent cost comparison was completed and it was determined that comparable coverage can be provided through Anton Insurance Agency at a lower rate to the Utilities. The VCU Board approved the request to change insurance carriers from General Insurance Services to Anton Insurance.
- Adam McAlpine presented a written request from Don York, 506 Chicago Street, for the refunding of storm water fees due to a misclassification of his home. As per City Ordinance No. 13, 1998, An Ordinance Enacting Storm Water Utility Policies and Rates, along with Resolution No. 1, 1998, the Board approved the refunding of 1 year of overpayment in the amount of \$132.00 to Mr. York.

- Adam requested approval of the Final Change Order 1 for the Napoleon Street Reconstruction Project. This change order includes project savings and overages experienced during the construction totaling an increase of \$2,813.35 for a total project cost of \$55,398.35. The Board approved Final Change Order 1 for the Napoleon Street Reconstruction Project.

There were no staff reports.

Meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting:

February 23, 2016



Dave Bengs, President



Lori Ferngren, Secretary