

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BAMBERG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2003 AT 5:15 P.M. AT CITY HALL. MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Bob Clary, Commissioner Carl Kilgus, and Commissioner Marion Dwight. MANAGER: Bruce Ellis. CLERK: Bruce Watson.

Chairman Clary called the meeting to order and Clerk Watson gave the invocation.

Commissioner Kilgus made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2003 meeting as received. Commissioner Dwight made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

During the discussion of the Income and Expense Statements, Commissioner Kilgus informed the Commissioners that he had noticed that no grant monies were received this month.

Manager Ellis explained that the BPW had submitted for a large chunk of grant funds this month which should arrive soon.

Commissioner Kilgus said he had also notice that the expenses for insurance general hazard only appeared once and a while on the reports.

Clerk Watson explained that General Hazard Insurance covered tort, property and auto insurance which was really only billed once a year.

Commissioner Kilgus asked why the Safety Expense was so much higher as compared to the previous year during this time.

Clerk Watson explained that the Safety Expense covered training by the Safety Consultants which really started late last year. He explained that the training was necessary to meet SCMIT and OSHA compliances.

Commissioner Dwight voiced that administrative costs were continuously going up everywhere.

Chairman Clary announced that items 4 and 5 on the agenda would be skipped since there was no one present to discuss them.

Under Manager's Report:

Manager Ellis presented the Commissioners with a document in which SC Pipeline had filed with the SC Public Service Commission concerning tariffs. He explained that the filing really would not affect the BPW.

Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that the BPW Consumer Confidence Report won the SC Water Systems' State Award.

Commissioner Dwight said he felt this was a big honor and complimented Manager Ellis and his staff. He said he wished to see the award published.

Manager Ellis credited the award to the efforts of BPW employee Will Martin who he said had done most of the work on the report.

Manager Ellis reported that the latest test on the wells had been performed. He explained that the BPW test for everything in the water but that bottle water companies were required to perform no testing on their water.

Commissioner Dwight asked if the sodium levels were high in the BPW water.

Manager Ellis explained that the sodium levels really weren't that high. He said the BPW water was highly monitored.

Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that the BPW has until June 30, 2004 in which to implement the Bio Terrorism Act.

Commissioner Kilgus asked Manager Ellis if the drinking water could be tested for chemical agents.

Manager Ellis explained that biological agents could be controlled in the water supply but that chemical agents were very hard to remove and detect in the water system. He said chemical agents would have already done their damage before they could be detected.

Commissioner Kilgus asked if chemical agents were put in the system could the BPW still utilize their wells.

Manager Ellis explained that the wells would still be useable but that he was afraid of terrorist acts that could place agents in the drinking water aquifers.

Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that he did try and contact Mr. Buzzy Bunch but that he had heard nothing from him.

He informed Council that he had talked to Councilman Walker and explained that a cost estimate is being done on the Wren Drive area for the placement of hydrants. Manager Ellis said the estimate should be completed within six weeks. Manager Ellis explained that when the area was developed that the developer didn't want hydrants in the area.

Commissioner Kilgus asked Manager Ellis if he had talked to Mr. Clinkscales yet.

Manager Ellis informed him that he still had to contact Mr. Clinkscales concerning his request.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Clerk

Chairman-BPW

Commissioner-BPW

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