

CHOCTAW UTILITIES, INC
WATER BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2007

The Choctaw Utilities, Inc. Board of Directors met for their regular scheduled meeting on Monday, October 8th. Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairman Ernie Sparks. Members present were Matt Dillon, Andy Mauck and Tim Good. Attending the meeting was Shannon Hastings; CLPOA President, Joe Wiese; CLPOA board member, Carla Dye and Jim Moran; Utility Manager.

Property owner's time was observed with not owners present.

Minutes from the July utility meeting were read with no changes brought forth, minutes approved by Andy Mauck motion and seconded by Matt Dillon. All were in favor.

Financial records were reviewed with no changes or recommendations made at this time.

Under old business water meters continue to be studied with emphasis toward taking this information to the bi-annual property owners meeting later this month (Oct.). Possible rates were discussed along with updating installation cost. The utility latest cost info was from last part of 2005. Updated water regulations were discussed and looked at with final approval given. Tim Good made motion, Andy Mauck seconded. All were in favor.

The utility managers report was given by Jim Moran; manager. The scheduled copper and lead samples for the 07 monitoring period has been collected. 10 samples were taken. In the 80th percentile the results were 047 ugl, the maximum level is 1350 ugl. At this time the utility is in compliance with EPA guidelines. Quarterly nitrate and nitrite sampling has been completed and sent to EPA authorities. Delinquent shutoffs were discussed and several unpaid clients water service was terminated until bill was paid. A few customers made arrangements with the utility office for payment schedules. Since the July meeting 2 service lines were repaired at the water main. Main valve locating and repair was performed on Choctaw Circle at east side of lake. Trihalomethanes (Thm's) and haleocetic acids ((Haas's) testing that is extremely expensive and time consuming was discussed. This testing is required by EPA and will be increasing in frequency in the future (08, 09, 10). The Federal EPA has seen this burden could take place on small systems and has offered a waiver for testing. The waiver has been filled out and returned to the Federal EPA with approval or disapproval expected sometime spring of 08. Curb box repair and or replacement was discussed in as far as who will repair or replace from damage from homeowner or family or relative. The numbers from foreign objects being put in boxes, lawn mower damage, landscaping damage, or general disrepair are increasing. It was decided the lot owner was responsible and that the repair cost will be added to the water bill. Motion made by Matt Dillon; seconded by Tim Good. All were in favor.

Under new business collections of delinquent accounts were discussed. Shannon Hastings presented a proposal from the CLPOA discussing a joint agreement between the

utility company and the CLPOA basically saying that if you are delinquent in any issue with CLPOA or Choctaw Utilities that water service can be terminated. Discussion followed concerning the legality of this issue. Shannon explained that the CLPOA has had legal representation look at the document and thought that the document was legally correct. Tim Good recommended that Don Gregory, the association and the utility legal representative be contacted and the Don gives a legal opinion on the subject. All utility members along with Shannon and Joe Wiese agreed to this recommendation. Results will be discussed at the next scheduled utility meeting (Jan. 08). A new member for the utility board was discussed to replace Terry LaPrise who resigned in Sept. 07. Several people were discussed and it was decided that Ken Ferguson would make a good member because of his business experience. A recommendation to the CLPOA board president was made and he will take it to the full CLPOA board at their next meeting for a possible appointment.

With no further business on the agenda a motion was made by Tim Good to adjourn. Seconded by Andy Mauck. Meeting was adjourned at 9:10p.m.