

CHOCTAW UTILITIES, INC.
WATER BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2008

The Choctaw Utilities, Inc. Board of Directors met for the regular scheduled meeting on Monday, January 14, 2008. Tim Good called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Matt Dillon, Andy Mauck and Ken Ferguson. Ernie Sparks was excused. Tim Good introduced and welcomed new board member Ken Ferguson. Attending the meeting was Shannon Hastings; CLPOA President, Carla Dye and Jim Moran; Utility Manager.

Lee Conwell of HD Supply gave a presentation on water meters. Dan Devers, salesman was also present. A catalog of the Sensus Metering Systems was handed out to everyone. He explained the types of meters, which are touch read and radio read. An explanation of how each one works and how it is installed was also explained. How the two types of meters are read and how a bill is generated. His presentation was informative and Tim Good thanked them for coming to the meeting.

Property Owner's: Shannon Hastings was present to request that Choctaw Utilities get approval from the property owners to have water meters installed. To also increase communication to the property owners by using the Peace Pipe to get information out and to educate the people. He would also like a policy for the Utility Board to have guidelines for capital improvements or emergencies and to relate this to the property owners. Tim Good responded that they would continue to present issues to property owners. Andy Mauck agreed that property owners need to be educated regarding the conservation of this resource.

Bob VanHouten (lot #376) was present to express the concerns of property owners who had signed a petition opposing water meters without a vote of the homeowners. He stated that there is a need for communication regarding water meters and to have open discussions. He would like the utility board to enforce a sprinkler ban policy to conserve water during the summer months when we exceed the daily capacity and have penalties to homeowners for non-compliance. Bob thanked the board for their time and to consider the concerns regarding the need for water meters.

Minutes from the October utility meeting were read and corrections were noted. Matt Dillon made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections. Andy Mauck seconded. All approved.

Financial records were reviewed. It was noted the Association has paid the \$150,000.00 loan. Jimmy stated that the new generator came in under the original cost that was projected. At this time Andy Mauck suggested that an informational pamphlet be made about the Utility Company, which would include its history and how it is run that would be given to property owners. He will work on this idea.

Old Business: The minutes from January 2006 were approved with an incorrect statement. Andy Mauck makes a motion: As a clarification of 1/9/2006 meeting minutes a rate increase of \$21.00 per month was proposed. This was effective 1/2006 for the purpose of covering increased operating expenses. This is an interim increase to be replaced with a \$25.00 rate to be effective 1/1/2008. (Motion 008-01) Matt Dillon seconded. All approved.

Jimmy reported that the new generator is in operation. He also has a quote on pit meters and house meters.

Tim Good stated that a presentation should be given at the fall property owners meeting regarding water meters.

Jimmy reported that the corrections to the Rules and Regulations have been updated. He will review these.

Manager's Report: Jimmy reported that computers for the plant and his office have been ordered. A new server for the office will also be installed. The EPA has requested they would like the reports done online. Jimmy will now be able to comply.

The annual ODNR report is completed. He has received the testing schedule for 2008. He also received the license to operate for another year.

New Business: The issue of swimming pools was discussed regarding the filling of these from Choctaw Utilities water supply. There may be a need to have rules to avoid this situation. Discussion on a sprinkler ban was had and the need to enforce it in order to make it effective. The Rules & Regulations need to cover this issue.

With no further business on the agenda a motion to adjourn was made by Andy Mauck. Seconded by Tim Good. Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.