

Choctaw Utilities Board of Trustees Meeting – July 2, 2012

Substantive Motions Approved in this Meeting –

There were no substantive motions approved in this meeting.

Call to Order:

The Board of Trustees meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. in the CLPOA conference room.

Present: Ernie Sparks, Tim Good, John Foote, Rick Hartnett and Bob McKinley.

Jim Moran, Mike Hexamer and Craig Smith were also present.

Property Owner's Time:

There were no property owners present.

Minutes:

Tim Good made a motion to accept the April minutes. Bob McKinley seconded. The Board approved the minutes.

Financials:

Tim Good made a motion to accept the financials. Bob McKinley seconded. The Board approved the financials.

Old Business:

There was no old business to discuss.

Manager's Report:

Jim Moran stated that a sprinkling ban was put in place on June 28. He said the plant exceeded the capacity for seven days during the month of June. He said the sprinkling ban is working and there is a possibility of modifying it depending on the weather.

Jim reported that the quote for the rental house furnace was \$4,500. He is working with the pipeline company to get gas service to the rental. The house would then be converted from electric to gas.

There were two service line repairs and one main line break. He hasn't had a main line break in several years.

Jim has been performing a several water tests including nitrate, nitrite, and asbestos. He has performed VOC testing, there were 21 tests. All tests were good. He also performed 12 inorganic tests. All tests were within limits. He also has begun testing for lead and copper, all

those tests have been good. The consumer confidence report is complete and will be printed in the July issue of *The Peace Pipe*.

Jim explained to the Board that the system is designed for 400,000 gallons per day and is not capable of irrigating the community. Average usage is 210,000 gallons a day.

John Foote asked about the procedure for shutting off water to delinquent accounts. He asked about payment agreements and how many times an agreement can be broken before something is done. The office staff told him that it takes two billings before the water is shut off, but he cannot find any documentation stating this. He also asked about accounts declaring bankruptcy and whether or not those can be shut off without it being considered harassment. Ernie stated that shutting off water could be by a medical liability. John said there are several repeat offenders that pay for awhile and then get behind. He thinks that a policy needs written to state what the water shutoff and lien policy is. The Board discussed circumstances regarding shutting off and turning on the water. John will set up a meeting to clean up these policies.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Tim Good made a motion to adjourn, Bob McKinley seconded, motion passed at 7:38pm. The next meeting is set for Monday, October 1, 2012 at 7:00 pm.