

ADAMS COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 11, 2019

Board and staff members present:

Don Bergdall
Shannon Smitley
Nate Rumschlag
Richard Lambert
John Carroll
Jim Franz
Steve Bailey

Superintendent, Barry Scherer
Attorney, Mark Burry
Brooke Hindenlang
Commonwealth Engineering: Ben Adams

Opening of meeting

Shannon called the meeting to order.

Approval of minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by Jim, 2nd by John approve the minutes as amended.
Approved 7-0

Payment of Claims:

Claims were presented totaling \$22,740.13. Itemized list presented to board and included in record.

Includes two months of Decatur treatment fees and the Amstutz billing software balance due

Motion to pay claims, as presented, by Jim, 2nd by Richard. Approved 7-0

Superintendent's Report

We have some apartments opening up in the district. Barry wanted the board to know that the 2nd apartment gets charged 0.75 of the monthly rates. Barry will pursue notifying the affected property owners.

The school opened at the Monmouth site has more students and will have their rate increased. Recommends that the district review this each September once enrollment has settled.

Board discussed the rate ordinance and how to fix some business rates and rate increases. Steve asked about using the consumer price index for projecting rate increases.

Barry asked about editing the treatment agreement with Decatur and editing the services accordingly. Board agreed and recommending scheduling a meeting with the City after the election.

Paint Shop at Piqua Road will require 2 grinder stations along SR 101. Discussion by the board on the grinders left Barry with the direction to proceed with his situation per the current rate ordinance and tabled the issue.

Barry, Don and Carrie are to meet on the future phases for our projects. Decatur is asking for the meeting and the City's engineer will be on a conference call. Date and time have not been set.

Barry is asking to meet with Berne for an introduction to the treatment agreement. Shannon agreed to move it forward.

Grinder issues at Harry Meyers property. Barry will need to get some replacement parts. This is one of the 3-4 old style stations and pumps in our system.

IDEM is going to highlight the ACRSD in the upcoming conference and our successes.

Health Department project priority list was issued to the RSD board.

Engineer's Report

Reviewed the bid tab. Received eight bids for the project.

Low bid was received from VTF totaling \$1,535,019.95

CEI will look at additional users and equipment.

Nate – Will this affect our timing with SRF?

Ben – No with SRF moving the date back we are good.

Steve – are there any obvious locations for additional connections with the available funds?

Barry – Maybe along Piqua road or 33.

Barry – What is the work allowance in the bid?

Ben – There is a \$20,000 allowance for unforeseen conditions.

Ben – There is about \$90,000 to be determined for use if we can by the end of next month.

Lou commented that the board should look at the 15 houses outside Salem Road if you need more connections. Ben agreed that this will be looked at.

Attorney

Spoke with the bond council and should be ok with a shortened procedure. Barnes and Thornburg will look at the parity test on our rates and project.

Mark mentioned that the board may need to pass a bond ordinance.

Shannon – Do I need to update SRF on the bond council?

Mark - Yes

Health Department – Future Project Priority:

Jessica outlined the process by which the HD prioritized projects and the looked at homes and test results. Steve and Note to send out plan for moving forward on design. If a special meeting is needed one will be scheduled by Mark.

Bank Reconciliation:

Reconciliation records were sent to the board.

Steve motioned to approve the reconciliation. Motion was 2nd by Jim. Approved 7-0

Board Comments:

Don asked about getting us on Indiana 811. Barry to work on this prior to construction of the new system.

Public Comments:

Lou – You talk about expansion, but I ask again why the board won't put the policy on connections in writing?

Motion to adjourn by John, 2nd by Steve. Meeting adjourned. 7-0