

UAC MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 17, 2018 5:00 PM  
AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP HALL  
8021 TALLADAY RD  
WHITTAKER, MI 48190

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Shelby at 5:00 PM
2. Roll Call-Shelby, Chie, Meyers, Linville and Keefe. Township Engineer Nicholas Bayley arrived at 5:04 PM
3. Motion by Keefe, approved by Shelby to approve the May 15, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Purchased water volume versus water sold volume discrepancy update – There was much discussion as the loss increased to 36% according to UMS (51% on the engineers' spreadsheet). The Bunton Road meter was replaced last week so some of the difference could be attributed to estimated numbers while the meter was out of service. There was also a main break on Talladay Rd. and a valve break Liss Rd.
5. Water meter make and model update in D&B active customer list – D and B billing is still in the process of updating the list from 2014 when meters were replaced with Master Meters as opposed to Sensus Meters.
6. Leak detection proposal – There was a brief discussion on American Leak Detection breaking down their original proposal into three separate proposals breaking up the job into thirds. Motion by Shelby, supported by Keefe, to recommend that the Township board accept American Leak Detections proposal to cover the southeast quarter of the Township where the highest pressure is present, in the amount of \$5460.00. Ayes were Keefe, Chie, Shelby, Linville and Meyers. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Purchased sewer volume versus sewer service sold discrepancy-Whittaker Rd meter status – UMS reported a 38% difference between what the Township sold and what YCUA charged. The Whittaker Road meter was washed out in February after the sewer collapsed upstream from it. Since the spring period was wetter than normal most of the difference was likely due to I and I (inflow and infiltration).
8. Dollar bill acceptor for bulk water dispenser – Tabled.
9. YCUA sanitary sewer repair – The sewer repairs were completed.
10. Sanitary sewer rate-Nicholas meeting with Belynda Domas, Dennis Chie and Brian Shelby – Township Attorney Victor Lillich was invited to the meeting to discuss the utility ordinance. He found the original 1984 ordinance and a 2011 update and 1 2014 amendment. The 2011 update never was implemented. He suggested that the ordinance be updated and consolidated into one clean ordinance that reflects current rules. There was discussion on the REU charge that the UAC recommended to the Township board and directed Township engineer Bayley to check the former engineers files for REU's assigned to commercial properties and the school campus. Motion by Keefe, supported by Shelby, to recommend to

the Township board to have the Township attorney consolidate and update the utility ordinance. Ayes were Shelby, Chie, Linville, Meyers and Keefe. Motion passed unanimously.

11. New business

1. The Altenbernt property on Whittaker Road has a large outstanding water bill that has not been paid and is being disputed by the property owner and the tenant. History of the property is that it sat vacant for a period and during that time scrappers broke in and stole the copper water lines and the meter among other items. The property was rehabbed and rented out. Someone turned on the water back but there was no water meter for two years and access to the residence was denied during this time. Once this was discovered a replacement meter was installed and the shutoff valve operator was replaced. These costs along with the shutoff fee and 21 units of water are what is being disputed. The water has been shut off until the bill is paid.
2. There was a discussion of missing record plans and the need for someone to comb through and sort the files that are stored in Fire Station #2. The engineer was going to verify the records for Lincoln Pines subdivision.

12. Motion by Shelby, supported by Keefe to adjourn at 6:30 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

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