



TIPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

Tipton Utility Service Board Meeting

May 5, 2025

The Tipton Utility Service Board (TUSB) met at 4:30 p.m. in the City of Tipton Council Chambers, 216 South Main Street, Tipton, Indiana. TUSB Chairman McElfresh presided with Tipton Municipal Utility (TMU) General Manager Jim Ankrum providing Utility insights and taking notes. Board Members present included Chairman Don McElfresh, Dick Klein (Emeritus), Parker Woods, Lori Hoback, Peter Schram, and Mark Raver (via cell). City Council Liaison Rick Rippy was absent.

GUESTS

Bob Edinger

MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved by:

MOTION: It was moved by Peter Schram and seconded by Parker Woods:

"That the previous meeting minutes be approved as submitted." Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Claims were presented.

MOTION: It was moved by Mark Raver and seconded by Lori Hoback:

"That claims #26467-26521 totaling \$554,027.03 be approved." Motion carried.

CHARGE OFFS

None

FINANCIAL

March Financials were distributed and discussed.

RESOLUTIONS

TUSB Resolution 2025-03 To Dispose of Surplus TMU Electrical Fleet Equipment

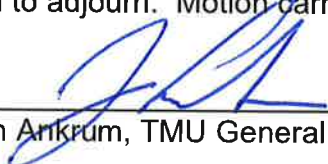
MOTION: It was moved by Mark Raver and seconded by Parker Woods:

"That TUSB Resolution 2025-03 be approved as submitted." Motion carried.

Other Matters to come before the Board from TMU General Mgr. Jim Ankrum:

- Safety: IMPA Safety training was held Wed Apr 23 on Tree Trimming.
- IT: Ankrum is working on a plan to get Utility Board meetings livestreamed through the City's current system. We are targeting the July 7th TUSB meeting to go live.
- Water: GM Ankrum is having the Tonka Filter reps do a site visit and perform a Preventative Maintenance review of the West water plant filters in anticipation of more extensive Water Plant utilization in the future.
- IMPA: Tipton 2 Solar is being commissioned this week. An official ribbon cutting ceremony will be held June 26th, 11 am at the Solar Park on Industrial Drive.
- Project Updates:
 - Sanitary Force Main project:
 - F&K continues working at the Intermediate Lift Station. Due to a valve delivery issue, there are two months of project work remaining.
 - Water Tower project status:
 - Tower painting has started and should be completed in late June.
 - The West St water line work is in progress and nearly completed.
- US 31/SR 28 Development
 - SE Quadrant, no new news.
 - Stellantis Factory: TMU and Matt Smith (Strand Engineering) remain engaged in the IDEM Pre-Treatment Wastewater permit process.
 - Chairman McElfresh, Ankrum, Board members Schram and Klein attended a Task Force meeting on Apr 30th to discuss land development opportunities in the County. A good discussion was had. There are a few follow-ups due by various stakeholders ahead of the next meeting of May 14.
- The next TUSB meeting is on Monday May 19, 2025, at 4:30 pm.
- **Community Comments:**
 - Board Member Hoback questioned if TMU has any Safety statistical tracking information or records? Ankrum acknowledged that any incident that requires a police report or post-incident drug screen is documented as are the monthly Safety meetings. Ankrum further stated that there is currently not a system of tracking incidents, near misses, First Aids nor Recordables. Hoback and the Board noted a Safety Culture is present at TMU, yet all agreed that improvements can always be made.
 - Bob Edinger further inquired if our insurance rates are based on any historical safety records? Ankrum indicated that there is a 3-year look back on cost of claims that helps determine TMU and the City's Insurance ratings and costs.
 - Edinger questioned if the TUSB intended to hold any off-site Board meetings in the future. Ankrum indicated none were planned at this time though in the past we have occasionally met at one of the TMU departmental facilities.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Mark Raver & seconded by Parker Woods at 4:55 pm to adjourn. Motion carried.



Jim Ankrum, TMU General Manager



Don McElfresh, TUSB Chairman

RESOLUTION 2025-03

TIPTON UTILITY SERVICE BOARD (TUSB) CITY OF TIPTON, INDIANA

To Dispose of Surplus TMU Electrical Fleet Equipment

- WHEREAS,** Tipton Municipal Utilities (TMU) is in the process of updating various Electrical, large Equipment Fleet items and that the same is now surplus and should be disposed of; and
- WHEREAS,** Indiana Code Titles 5 and 36 provide that a purchasing agency may dispose of surplus property upon declaration thereof and for reasonable value thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** a purchasing agent may sell property that belongs to the governmental body but is no longer needed or is unfit for the purpose for which it was intended in accordance with IC 5-22-22-3; and
- WHEREAS,** if the equipment fleet items have an individual value of \$1,000.00 or more than one (1) item, with an estimated total value of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or more, they may be sold by auction pursuant to IC 5-22-22-4; and
- WHEREAS,** Certain large equipment fleet items are purchased through Altec, Inc; and
- WHEREAS,** the purchasing agent may sell surplus property using a licensed auctioneer to advertise the sale and conduct a public auction in accordance with IC 5-22-22-4 and that the auctioneer who conducts the sale shall be paid from the gross proceeds of the sale received before expenses and any liens are paid; and
- WHEREAS,** the advertising by the auctioneer must include a detailed description of the property to be sold; and
- WHEREAS,** TMU desires to dispose of older Altec equipment fleet through Altec's subsidiary and nationwide auction house, JJ Kane Auctions.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the TUSB does hereby declare the older and larger TMU Electrical Equipment Fleet are deemed as surplus and are to be disposed of by TMU via the JJ Kane Auctions. That further, TUSB authorizes its General Manager, Jim Ankrum, to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the sale of the equipment fleet including paying the auction service fee.

Signed this 5th day of MAY, 2025, in Tipton, Indiana.

TIPTON UTILITY SERVICE BOARD



Don McElfresh - Chairman



Lori Hoback



Harrison P. Woods



Peter Schram



Mark J. Raver



ATTEST: James E. Ankrum, Utility General Manager