



**TIPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
Tipton Utility Service Board Meeting
August 7, 2023**

The Tipton Utility Service Board meeting was held at 4:30 p.m. at the City of Tipton Council Chambers, 216 South Main Street, Tipton, Indiana. Chairman Don McElfresh presided. The members present included Dick Klein (Emeritus), Barbara Cardwell, Steven Thompson, Peter Schram (via cell), Mark Raver, and Utility General Manager Jim Ankrum. City Council Liaison Rick Chandler was also present.

GUESTS

Mayor Tom Dolezal

MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed:

MOTION: It was moved by Barb Cardwell, and seconded by Steven Thompson:
"That the previous minutes of the meeting be approved."

Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Claims were reviewed.

MOTION: It was moved by Mark Raver and seconded by Steven Thompson:
"That claims #23993- #24067 totaling \$607,309.17 be approved." Motion carried.

CHARGE OFFS

None submitted.

BLENDED INTEREST RATE REPORT

None submitted.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 2023 Financials were reviewed.

RESOLUTIONS:

None.

Other Matters to come before the Board:

GM Ankrum informed the Board that step 1 of the Petition to Vacate alleyways at the East St. drinking water plant and Assembly of God properties has been accomplished. The official Petition to Vacate first reading, including a Public Hearing, was approved 4-0 by Tipton Common Council on July 24th and the 2nd reading a final approval should occur at Common Council on Aug 14th.

As a follow-up to the approved Board Resolution 2023-06, GM Ankrum has a signed Purchase Agreement from the Assembly of God Church trustees regarding purchase of their property adjacent to and just north of the City drinking water plant on East Street. TMU received two appraisals at \$105,000 and \$116,000. The Indiana Code requires Municipalities to pay the average of two appraisal for real estate. In this case, \$110,500 is the average and thus the agreed purchase price in the Purchase Agreement. With Board approval, Ankrum will counter-sign the document. Separately, TMU will purchase the contents within the property for \$7,500. These actions were unanimously approved by the TUSB after motion from Mark Raver and a second from Barb Cardwell.

UTILITY MANAGER REPORT

- Safety: IMPA/TVPPA upcoming Safety training is set for Wed Aug 16th regarding Substation practices.
- GM Ankrum acknowledged the Goldsmith circuit 11-hour power outage of Sat July 29th. A tree blew over into Duke's high voltage lines on Old SR 28 at 2 am that morning. TMU is unauthorized to work on Duke high voltage lines and did other clean-up in the TMU electrical service area while awaiting Duke's arrival. Duke was able to mobilize to the Tipton site approximately 10 hours later and had service back within 30 minutes of arrival. Board members acknowledged having TMU electrical crews on-call and responsive to our customer needs was a key component to maintaining ownership of TMU assets. In this case, TMU hands were tied in being able to correct the Duke Energy matter.
- IMPA: IMPA is still working to set a closing date in August for Tipton 2 Solar Park property purchase.
- IMPA: IMPA, TMU and Corteva met last Thurs, Aug 3rd to review and discuss the proposed large-scale Solar farm on Corteva's W. Jefferson property. Notes are being compiled for future distribution.
- IMPA: Their subsidiary ISC has begun assisting TMU with relocating 3-phase power lines to new Duke poles along the east side of US 31 near Division Road.
- IMPA: IMPA Commissioner Klein reported that the July IMPA Board meeting was light on content though there are concerns about 2025 power supply versus estimated demand.
- The City initiative to construct a new Park Plaza to the east of the County Courthouse is underway. TMU will relocate certain power poles and underground electrical service in the area and the water department has already relocated a water meter.


- IDEM: Inspected the West treatment collection system. Certain follow-up will be required by TMU to satisfy IDEM and their recommendations from the inspection.
- Water: The annual routine maintenance and flow testing of all water production wells (City and west plants) was completed without issues.
- Connector Project:
 - Wessler has submitted project design documents to IDEM and the Big Cicero Creek Drainage Board for their approval. Those approvals could take up to 120 days to complete and then we will be able to advertise for public bids this Fall.
 - TMU and Wessler await the summary Soils report of ground conditions along the force main.
 - TMU continues with progress on easements for property owners along Old SR 28 (west and east of Leininger Acres).
 - TMU has determined that the location of the proposed Elevated Water Storage in the west system will be located inside the fence of the existing wastewater property on County Road 560 W. Additional soil borings at the site will soon be completed with a soils report to follow.
- US 31/SR 28 Development:
 - No new news.

Community Comments:

- The Board acknowledged the passing of former Tipton City Electrical and Water Plant Superintendent Dan Mattingly. Several Board members noted that Mr. Mattingly set a great example of community care and involvement through his many local activities, civic Board memberships and charitable contributions to Tipton.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mark Raver to adjourn and seconded by Steven Thompson. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4.55 p.m.



Jim Ankrum, General Manager



Don McElfresh, Chairman

I hereby certify that each of the above listed vouchers and the invoices, or bills attached there to, are true and correct and I have audited same in accordance with IC 5-11-10-1.6.

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Fiscal Officer

ALLOWANCE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

TIPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

APVS #23993-24067

We have examined the Accounts Payable Vouchers listed on the foregoing Register of Accounts Payable Vouchers consisting of _____ 16 _____ pages and except for accounts payables not allowed as shown on the Register such accounts payables are hereby allowed in the total amount of \$ _____ 607,309.17 .

Dated this _____ 7th day of _____ August 2023 _____.

Signatures of Governing Board

TIPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

CASH FUNDS AS OF:

JUNE

2023

WATER DEPARTMENT - EAST PLANT

Total Operational Funds as per Report: 1,403,854.40
 Total Investments as per Report: -
 Total Restricted Funds as per Report: 308,351.25
 Total Restricted Investments as per Report: 10,000.00
 Total Funds: 1,722,205.65

WATER DEPARTMENT - WEST PLANT

Total Operational Funds as per Report: 291,690.39
 Total Investments as per Report: -
 Total Restricted Funds as per Report: 13,895.20
 Total Restricted Investments as per Report: -
 Total Funds: 305,585.59

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT - EAST PLANT

Total Operational Funds as per Report: 1,071,755.19
 Total Investments as per Report: -
 Total Restricted Funds as per Report: 515,767.61
 Total Restricted Investments as per Report: -
 Total Funds: 1,587,522.80

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT - WEST PLANT

Total Operational Funds as per Report: 377,773.69
 Total Investments as per Report: -
 Total Restricted Funds as per Report: 214,005.45
 Total Restricted Investments as per Report: -
 Total Funds: 591,779.14

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT:

Total Operational Funds as per Report: 6,323,160.17
 Total Operational Investments as per Report: 50,000.00
 Total Restricted Funds as per Report: 236,779.10
 Total Restricted Investments as per Report: 95,000.00
 Total Funds: 6,704,939.27

STORM WATER DEPARTMENT:

Total Operational Funds as per Report: 622,462.69
 Total Investments as per Report: -
 Total Restricted Funds as per Report: 546,693.44
 Total Restricted Investments as per Report: -
 Total Funds: 1,169,156.13

TOTAL FUNDS:

2,081,188.58