

#### **Tipton Utility Service Board Meeting**

April 7, 2025

The Tipton Utility Service Board (TUSB) meeting was held at 4:30 p.m. at 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. City Council Liaison Rick Rippy was also present.

#### **GUESTS**

None

#### **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 #26334-26411 totaling \$395,692.64 be approved." Motion carried.

#### **CHARGE OFFS**

None

#### **FINANCIAL**

February 2025 Financials Were Distributed and Discussed

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

None

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

- Safety: IMPA Safety training was held on Wed Mar 19 on Disaster Preparedness.
- Staff: TMU recently celebrated Emily Anderson's 25-year work anniversary. Emily is TMU's Customer Service leader at TMU headquarters. Her knowledge and dedication are greatly appreciated by TMU staff and the customer community.
- IMPA: Ankrum and IMPA Commissioner Dick Klein attended IMPA's 2025 Annual Meeting on Apr 3-4. The IMPA 2024 Annual Report was shared with the TUSB.
- Project Updates:
  - Sanitary Force Main project:
    - F&K continues working at the Intermediate Lift Station. There remain approximately 2 months of work to complete piping, electrical, sitework, fencing etc. Electrical work has begun at the existing West Lift Station, with new pumps and piping installations soon to occur.
  - Water Tower project status:
    - Steel tower erection work is substantially complete. Final work will be completed in late Spring when painting can occur.
    - o The West St storm water/asphalt paving project continues moving north.
  - 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.
    - TUSB Chairman McElfresh attended a County RDC meeting on Wed, Mar 19 at 6:30 pm and discussed with other City and County leaders the development opportunities in the County with respect to utilities.
       Subsequently, a Task Force has been formed and includes McElfresh, Ankrum, TUSB member Peter Schram and TMU Consultant Matt Smith.
- The next TUSB meeting is on Monday Apr 21, 2025, at 4:30 pm.

#### Community Comments:

TUSB Emeritus Member and IMPA Commissioner Dick Klein announced his intension to resign as IMPA Commissioner. Dick will recommend to the Mayor and Tipton Common Council that TMU General Manager Jim Ankrum be appointed as Ankrum has attended most all IMPA Board meetings in the past four (4) years and has a thorough understanding of IMPA operations. TUSB Member Raver mentioned that it was customary for the Utility General Manager to be the IMPA Commissioner until Mr. Klein's unique skill set was offered some eight (8) years ago. Ankrum will coordinate documents with IMPA and the City for formal discussion and approval.

**ADJOURNMENT:** It was moved by Mark Raver & seconded by Peter Schram at 4:45 pm to adjourn. Motion carried.

Jim Ankrum, TMU General Manager

Don McElfresh, TUSB Chairman



# **Tipton Utility Service Board Meeting Agenda**

**April 7, 2025** 

Utility Board Members:

Don McElfresh, Chairman

Dick Klein, Emeritus Parker Woods, Member Lori Hoback, Member Peter Schram, Member Mark Raver, Member

Rick Rippy, Common Council Liaison Jim Ankrum, TMU General Manager

**CALL TO ORDER:** 

4:30 pm, City Council Chambers

**GUESTS:** 

Please Sign In

**MINUTES from Previous Meeting:** 

March 17, 2025

**CLAIMS:** 

#26334 - #26411

\$395,692.64

**CHARGE-OFF REPORT:** 

None

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Distribute/Discuss

**RESOLUTIONS:** 

None

**UTILITY REPORT:** 

TMU General Manager Jim Ankrum

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS:** 

**ADJOURNMENT:** 



## TIPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES TIPTON UTILITY SERVICE BOARD MEETING

Guest Register April 7, 2025

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### **RESOLUTION 2025-02**

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

Recommendation to the Tipton Common Council to Appoint

James E. Ankrum to Board of Commissioners of IMPA

WHEREAS,	The City of Tipton, IN is a member of the Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA)
	and TUSB Member (Emeritus) George R. "Dick" Klein has served as an IMPA
	Commissioner on the Board of Commissioners of IMPA for several years and was
	appointed by the Tipton Common Council; and

WHEREAS, Dick Klein desires to soon retire from the IMPA Board of Commissions; and

WHEREAS, Tipton Municipal Utility (TMU) General Manager James E. "Jim" Ankrum has faithfully attended IMPA Commissioner meetings for the past four (4) years and has a strong working knowledge of IMPA as it relates to TMU power purchases from IMPA and associated interactions between IMPA, the City of Tipton and TMU; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the TUSB does herby highly recommend to the Tipton Common Council to appoint Jim Ankrum as the next Commissioner representing Tipton on the Board of Commissioners of IMPA effective upon Dick Klein's retirement from the Board of Commissioners of IMPA.

Signed this 21st day of	APRIL	, 2025, in Tipton, Indiana.
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TIPTON UTILITY SERVICE BOARD

Don McElfresh - Chairman

Lori Hoback

Harrison P. Woods

Peter Schram

Mark J. Raver

ATTEST: James E. Ankrum, Utility General Manager