

Tipton Utility Service Board Meeting

March 3, 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 (via cell), Peter Schram, and Mark Raver. City Council Liaison Rick Rippy was also present.

GUESTS

Nate Kring (Tipton Common Council member)

MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved by:

MOTION: It was moved by Peter Schram, and seconded by Mark Raver: "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 Peter Schram: "That claims #26205-26276 totaling \$310,097.23 be approved." Motion carried.

CHARGE OFFS

None

FINANCIAL

January 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 Feb 19 regarding Work Zone Safety
- Community: TMU's Ankrum and Reecer and TUSB's McElfresh and Hoback attended a Tipton County Comprehensive Plan focus group meeting last week.
 Transportation and Utility opportunities and challenges were discussed. The TUSB would like the opportunity to review the Draft final Comprehensive Plan prior to it going out. Ankrum will convey this request to County officials.
- Water: Ankrum continues to participate in the Central IN Regional Water Planning group, mostly Hamilton and surrounding County Utilities are involved in discussions. An in-person meeting is scheduled for Apr 16 in Fishers, Ankrum plans to attend.
- IMPA: Ankrum and TUSB Member Woods joined IMPA Commissioner Dick Klein at the Feb 28th IMPA Board meeting. A few items of note included: Centerpoint's 20% rate increase, Duke's planned new Natural Gas Power Plant in Cayuga, IN and the Agenda for IMPA's 2025 Annual Meeting to be held in Noblesville on Apr 3-4.
- IMPA: Ankrum, Scott Reecer and TMU Elec Supt Joe Plake will be attending an upcoming workshop on March 12: Solar and the Impact on Utility.
- 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. work will also soon begin at the existing West Lift Station including pump and piping upgrades.
 - 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 and asphalt paving project has also started.
 - US 31/SR 28 Development
 - SE Quadrant, owned by Tipton Land Development: Ankrum has not yet reengaged with the Site/Civil Engineer on layout and utility options.
 - Stellantis Factory: TMU and Matt Smith (Strand Engineering) remain engaged in the IDEM Pre-Treatment Wastewater permit process.
- The next TUSB meeting is on Monday Mar 17, 2025, at 4:30 pm.

Community Comments:

 Councilman Kring requested that TMU Electrical complete an audit of downtown street lighting as there are some performance issues that need addressed.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Mark Raver & seconded by Parker Woods at 4:50 pm to adjourn. Motion carried.

Jim Ankrum, TMU General Manager

Don McElfresh, TUSB Chairman



Tipton Utility Service Board Meeting Agenda

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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

MINUTES from Previous Meeting:

February 17, 2025

GUESTS please Sign In

CLAIMS:

#26205 - #26276

\$310,097.23

CHARGE-OFF REPORT:

None

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Distributed/Discuss

RESOLUTIONS:

None

UTILITY REPORT:

TMU General Manager Jim Ankrum

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:



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Guest Register March 3, 2025

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