



**CITY OF LAWRENCE
Utility Service Board
November 22, 2016/5:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting
Public Assembly Room**

Members Present: Steve Hall, Dale Tekippe, Dave Parnell, Terry Gingles and Regina Marsh
Staff Present: Controller Jason Fenwick, Utility Superintendent Scott Salsbery, Purchasing Manager Tina Whitcomb, Councilman Rick Wells
Also Present: Corporation Counsel Jim Gutting and five members of the community

Mr. Hall called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. and announced a quorum.

Mr. Hall asked for approval of the November 9, 2016 minutes. Mr. Tekippe moved to accept the minutes; Mr. Parnell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hall presented the Payment of Claims in the amount of \$410,277.20. The presented vouchers were \$111,907.56. Ms. Marsh moved to approve the payment of claims; Mr. Tekippe provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

Utility Superintendent Report: Mr. Hall asked Mr. Salsbery to give his report. He said LU experience two sanitary sewer overflows, related to rain in October. Mr. Salsbery said the total flow volume was 17.027 MG on October 20. He suggested the City needs to begin an aggressive I & I removal project. He said they completed the repairs on the east aerator at Richardt WTP and then took the west aerator out of service and performed an inspection. Due to their findings, they are pursuing a quote from Peerless Midwest to replace the slats and headers. Peerless has repaired the east aerator. He said Wessler Engineering will present an overview of the report he distributed to USB members last week.

New Business:

1. Mr. Fenwick answered questions from the board regarding the Umbaugh professional agreement. He explained it is for a continuation of the rate study that Crowe Horvath began earlier this year, due to time constraints and the need to complete the rate study. Mr. Tekippe said he would prefer to see "not to exceed amounts" on agreements. Mr. Tekippe placed the motion to accept the contract and Mr. Parnell seconded; the motion passed unanimously.
2. Dylan, from Wessler Engineering provided an overview of the Water Utility PER for DWSRF. Mr. Parnell and Ms. Marsh thanked the firm for a thorough and excellent job. He said it was prepared in a format to use to acquire funding for the projects to our aged assets. The COL will hold a public hearing regarding this December 13 and it will be published in advance. He said to expect a project in two phases and he said a rough estimate is \$17 million for the planned work. Mr. Hall said the report was impressive and helpful to the board in understanding the magnitude of needed repairs to infrastructure.

Mr. Hall asked for Account Adjustments: There were none

Remonstrations of Ratepayer Dispute Regarding Disconnect Notice: There were none.

Citizen Comments: There were none.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Parnell motioned for **adjournment** at 5:58 p.m.; Mr. Tekippe seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Steven Hall, President

Julie Kukolla, Recording Secretary

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, with the exception of the motions.

