

July 12, 2010 Addyston Board of Public Affairs minutes

President Darrell Adams called the regular meeting of the Addyston Board of Public Affairs meeting to order at 7:00PM. Roll call of Water Board Trustees Darrell Adams, Bernard Thomas, Darryl Walton and Water Board Trustees Margaret Ann Dozier present. Audience: Mayor Dan Pillow, Councilwoman Ann Pillow, Councilman Ronnie Pugh, Councilman Bill Wickman, and resident Pam Jackson. All joined in the Pledge to the flag. Presentation of the minutes of the June 14, 2010 Board meeting Mr. Thomas moved and Mr. Walton seconded the motion to accept the minutes as printed there was no discussion Roll call vote: 3 yeas motion carried. Presentation of the May 31, 2010 monthly collections during the month of June in the amount of \$20,747.19 Mr. Adams moved and Mr. Thomas seconded the motion to adopt the report as presented there was no discussion Roll call vote: 3 Yeas motion carried. Pay Ordinance 7-2010 in the amount of \$26,311.95 Mr. Walton moved and Mr. Thomas seconded the motion to pay the bills; there was no discussion Roll call vote: 3 Yeas motion carried. Water Board Clerk stated that the Trustees had received a copy of the monthly Plant Distribution operation report for June and a copy of the total chlorine residual quarterly report for April, May and June 2010 and both reports have been forwarded to the Ohio EPA by Erin Winhusen Water Board Operator. Mr. Adams stated that the total usage seems to be lower Water Board Clerk explained that now customers are metered the total usage is lower. Water Board Clerk said that with the telephone calls about metered water use on the customers' bills she had Water Maintenance Men check as the customers call in and most situations appear to be that the customer has a leak. She mentioned that she checked with Cleves Water Works on how they handled notifying the customers and Rusty Alexander sent her a couple of the "door hangers" they use the Water Trustees discussed getting a couple of prices on this type of notice with having a carbonated copy for the Water to retain Mr. Thomas explained the form to the audience and Mrs. Jackson suggested that the Board called the home owner first before coming out for service. The Water Board reported that the water meter at 302 Main Street was sent to Neptune for service and the report came back as a good meter nothing wrong with the meter but as a preventive measure the Water Maintenance Men installed a different meter and it would probably take at least a month or two before getting a good reading. Mr. Adams asked about having the Water Maintenance Men go back and take another reading at 302 Main Street so the customer knows how much she is using Mr. Adams asked about the property next to 302 Main Street it was explained that no one lives in that house so she doesn't receive a water bill for that location. Young man up on the corner told me last week he knew it was probably going to be high because the pond in his yard and the number of persons in his house. Water bill issues if the usage appears high the Water Maintenance Men are going out and checking the meters and they indicate on the sheet. The Water Board stated that it is also way the Ordinance read \$4.55 for 1,000 gallons if a person uses 2001 – the customer is being charged for the total 1000 gallons and she doesn't think the customer realizes this. Mr. Adams asked the TAK software people the Water Board Clerk suggested that Mr. Adams come and talk to the Software people while at the computer. Mrs. Jackson questioned why the sewer charge aren't higher than the water charges Mr. Adams to email Paul Heyob on the sewer rates (refer to tape). The Water Board Clerk stated that she had contacted Solicitor Kelly to draft an Ordinance for the \$100,000 loan with 5/3rd Bank and everything has been forwarded to Linda McClain at Peck, Schafer and Williams on the loan and Linda is waiting on documents from the banker Steve Brown. Mr. Walton asked if the Engineer had been advised to move ahead on the Second Street project the Water Board clerk explained that she contacted Mr. Adams about waiting until the money was in hand before contacting the Engineer and he agreed along with Mr. Thomas about waiting to know if the loan was secured. Mrs. Jackson asked about a leak on Sekitan Avenue the water is coming into her yard. The Water Board Clerk stated that after the Mayor notified her there was

would be more. She mentioned that her sewer doesn't show the same usage as water she feels that she should be charged more. The Water Board Clerk tried to explain about the computer needing an upgrade and that they are still working out program problems with the calculating on the rates and usage. Water Board will switch out the meter and watch the usage for the next month or so. Mrs. Jackson stated that she is still paying her pay Mr. Thomas said that if they numbers are wrong they will make any necessary adjustments. Mrs. Jackson stated that the Water Board wanted more control but this isn't control Mr. Thomas stated that they are trying to work things out. Mrs. Jackson said that keeping the water in Addyston was supposed to say everyone money but it doesn't look like that to her. Mr. Thomas stated the Water Board is trying to make it better. Mr. Adams stated that this isn't personal but he is taking it personal he feels that the Water Board operated for forty years and no one cared and now that this Board is trying to make things better but every time they came to a meeting they get beat up. Mayor Pillow asked why Mr. Adams feel like he is getting attacked Mayor Pillow stated that they should come to his council meeting Mr. Thomas said that he feels like they want to give the right answer but can't always give the right answer. Mayor Pillow stated that he feels the Board is doing a good job (refer to tape). Mrs. Jackson said current reading 7-2-2010 the Water Board explained how the software upgrade changed how the post card reads. Mr. Wickman questioned about having three bids for the fire hydrant that the Board was suppose to have three sealed bids for tonight he thinks it is something personal is it fair to that this Mr. Walton asked how you can open one bid tonight then go out and get two more bids later Mr. Wickman questioned if that's fair. Mr. Walton asked Mr. Wickman if he was asking if council was bias to Rogers of if the Water Board was bias. Mr. Wickman stated that everyone in the rooms knows what the deal is. Mr. Wickman stated that everyone in the room knows that we went to court and that you got beaten up. Mr. Wickman stated that he will bring it up at council and council will get it repaired. Mrs. Jackson stated that in all fairness the Board they should have three bids. The Water Board Clerk read from the previous month minutes that the minutes read the Board asked for three quotes but didn't say the quotes had to be back tonight. Mr. Wickman stated that it's no money out of the Water Board funds it's from the Insurance Company. Mr. Pugh asked who was supposed to get the bids was Mr. Wickman was supposed to get the bids on the fire hydrant. Mr. Wickman said no because Mr. Rogers said he knew that the Board wouldn't accept the bid from Rogers. Again the Water Board Clerk read the minutes about getting three quotes. There was some discussion on the fire hydrant that is responsibility of the fire hydrant who owns the fire hydrant. The Water Board said that she was always told that the Village Council is responsible for the fire hydrant and the water board is responsible for water going to the fire hydrant it's a combined job task. Mayor Pillow stated that they have a council meeting coming up they would try to clear it up on their end. Mr. Adams asked if they were any other complaints from the audience Mayor Pillow stated that several people have come to him about water bills being high and he has referred to the Water Board Clerk. Mr. Walton stated he installed his own in house water meter to keep track of the usage. Mr. Walton said he felt the Board should do a one half month reading the Water Board Clerk explained that they can do a manual reading but didn't recommend using the hand held (refer to tapes) the Water Board Clerk to work with Tim from TAK about software. Mr. Adams explained that the Board has to get everything worked out. The Water Board Clerk asked to have Josh Rose come out and re-calibrated the hand held to make sure everything is okay. Mr. Wickman suggested taking the water meter readings in the computer and matching against the master meter to see is actually used. Mrs. Pillow stated wasn't the perhaps of the meters to be based on each household use. Mr. Walton stated that he isn't here to give up that he plans to carry forward and make things work. Discussion on doing a manual reading while the held hand is being used to read the meters. Mrs. Jackson asked about swimming pools being filled for a cheaper rate. Mr. Adams stated that the water board has a portable that can be affixed to a fire hydrant that should fill the pool faster and cheaper at the \$4.55 for 1000 gallons. Mr. Walton stated that there is a sewer leak at Mike