

High Knob Utilities, Inc.

High Knob Utilities Board Meeting

December 14, 2009

Call to Order:

Dave Henderson called the HKUI meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. Other HKUI Board members in attendance were, Keith Arnett, Josh Douglas, Vince Bonzagni and Vic Jones. Members absent: None, Dave Henderson asked if there were additions to the agenda, there was no response.

Previous Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting were presented to the board for review.

Staff Reports:

Treasurer's Report- Written report available at the High Knob Office. Allegheny Power still owes HKUI a credit in the amount of \$1,304. This should show up on our next bill. The following budget problems were identified as being out of sync with the budget: sales were under budget, electric costs were over budget. There was no vote on the Treasurer's Report due to the recent decision to wait for Wendy's audit before acceptance.

Jerry Pomeroy- .Read meters for 2d Quarter Billing. Jerry told the board that the backhoe buckets need bushings at a cost of \$14K-.16K, a short discussion followed with a decision to agree, and split the cost with HKOA, if they were amenable. Keith Arnett made a motion that HKUI shares the cost of the backhoe repairs with HKOA, seconded by Josh Douglas, motion passed. Jerry indicated the repair company will lend us a bigger backhoe to use while the repairs were being accomplished. He indicated the water system was in good condition. There was a discussion that as the water meters age they under report the amount of water by as much as 10%.

Cindy Kerns- Cindy has a wish list, the office desperately needs new computers. Cindy provided an estimate from a local company. A discussion followed, all agreed that new computers were needed. Keith Arnett recommended an ad hoc committee to listen to computer geeks and that they make a decision. Don Day indicated that he will bring up to the HKOA board. Keith Arnett moved that the ad hoc committee meet with the computer technicians, Josh Douglas amended the motion to include Cindy Kerns and Louise Fahey to the committee. Josh Douglas seconded as amended, the motion passed.

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Dan Althouse- There seems to be a great improvement with communications between the office computer and SCADA since the installation of new antennas. Dave Henderson asked if we got bad results from the water testing? Dan indicated that we are now working under new rules requiring chlorine tests.

Old Business:

Modifications to HKUI By-Laws: Keith Arnett moved that since both boards have received copies of the modifications to the HKUI By-Laws that both boards accept the changes. Vince Bonzagni amended to motion to include that “typos that a reasonable person would recognize as a typo” could be changed without a vote. Vince Bonzagni seconded, motion passed.

Vic Jones brought up the previously discussed need for a meeting to discuss water rates. Keith Arnett indicated we need to increment raises based on analysis. It was decided to conduct the meeting on July 27 at 7PM.

Adjournment: Next meeting is scheduled for Aug 10, at 7PM. Dave Henderson adjourned the meeting at 8:20PM.

Vic Jones
Secretary, HKUI Board