

OTTUMWA WATER WORKS BOARD MEETING

Ottumwa Water Works Board of Trustees met Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Those present were Trustees Wilson, Fisher, Kelley, Stewart and Propp. Also in attendance was Board Attorney Ryan Mitchell, City Councilman, Bill Hoffman and Ottumwa Courier Chad Drury. Stewart moved, seconded by Propp to approve the Agenda. All ayes. Wilson moved, seconded by Stewart to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held October 15, 2024. All ayes. Kelley moved, seconded by Propp to approve Water Works bills in the amount of \$1,522,140.00 (which includes the sewer & garbage transfer to City of Ottumwa and payroll liabilities) for the month of October 2024. All ayes. Wilson moved, seconded by Kelley to approve the Financial and Operations report with revenues of \$889,515.21 and expenses of \$846,630.81 for the month of October 2024. All ayes. Wilson moved, seconded by Kelley to approve the proposal from Jetco Inc. in the amount of \$61,536 for hardware, installation and programming services on Unit #3- Controls Rehabilitation at the Hydro. All ayes. Propp moved, seconded by Stewart to approve pay request No. 4 in the amount of \$191,931.82 to Cornerstone Excavating, Inc. for the Water Main Replacements – 4th, 5th, and Cass Streets. All ayes. Kelley moved, seconded by Wilson to approve the quote from NES Company in the amount of \$29,855.21 for hydro blower replacement. All ayes. Chairperson Fisher opened the Public Hearing at 4:16 p.m. on the proposed 2025 budget. After no written or oral comments, Wilson moved, seconded by Kelley to close the public hearing at 4:17 p.m. All ayes. Propp moved, seconded by Wilson to approve Resolution No 5-2024 adopting the budget for the calendar year ending December 31, 2025. All ayes. Kelley moved, seconded by Wilson to go into closed session at 4:30 p.m. in accordance with the Iowa Code Section 21.5 (I)(i). (“To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session.”) for the purpose of discussing the General Manger’s performance goals that are tied to his evaluation. All ayes. Wilson moved, seconded by Propp to go out of closed session at 5:14 p.m. All ayes. After returning, Wilson moved, seconded by Propp to approve a salary increase of 6.5% for the General Manager starting January 2025. All ayes. Propp moved, seconded by Kelley, that the meeting be adjourned. All ayes. Adjournment was at 5:15 p.m. Bills paid for October 2024 are listed below.