MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PORTER PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2021

1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sharon Payne at 7:22 p.m.

2. Roll call, declaration of a quorum being present.

Members present were: Tonya Springsted, Jim Bias, Sam Hendrix, Wayne Collins, and Sharon Payne. A quorum was present.

Others present were: Jackie Todd, Graham Moore, Kendra Moore, and Shirley Herring.

- 3. Necessary action concerning approval of the consent agenda:
 - a) Approval of the minutes of the previous meetings.
 - b) Approval of the purchase orders.
 - c) Approval of the payroll purchase orders.

Motion was made by Sharon Payne to approve the consent agenda (items a, b, and c). The motion was seconded by Jim Bias. Voted yes: Tonya Springsted, Jim Bias, Sam Hendrix, Wayne Collins and Sharon Payne. Voted no: None. Motion carried.

- 4. Consideration and possible action on items removed from the consent agenda. No items were removed from the consent agenda.
- 5. Appearances or petitions from the audience.

 There were no appearances or petitions from the audience.
- 6. Discussion and possible action concerning:
 - a) Purchasing property behind Town Hall and authorizing the Chairman to negotiate with the property owner.

Chairman Sharon Payne said there are five lots and a 40' x 70' building behind Town Hall that is for sale. She can if Porter Public Works Authority purchases this property, it can be fenced and the fencing will not interfere with the Fire Department or the drop box. She said the equipment could be parked in this fenced area. Motion was made by Sharon Payne to proceed with purchasing the property behind Town Hall and authorize the Chairman to negotiate with the property owner. The motion was seconded by Jim Bias. Voted yes; Tonya Springsted, Jim Bias, Sam Hendrix, Wayne Collins, and Sharon Payne. Voted no: None. Motion carried.

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b) Repairing or replacing water truck.

Chairman Sharon Payne said the truck cannot be repaired or replaced until the insurance company makes a report. She said Gilbert's Wrecker has to be paid before they will take the truck to the diesel mechanic for an estimate. Chairman Payne said the Board will have to wait and get the information from the insurance company before deciding whether to repair or replace the water truck. No action was taken on this item.

c) Adjustment of compensation for Jackie Todd.

Chairman Sharon Payne said according to Jackie Todd's contract, his compensation is supposed to be 15% higher than the compensation paid to any other employee. Motion was made by Sharon Payne to adjust the compensation for Jackie Todd to 15% above Joey Hatfield's salary, effect immediately with the current pay period. The motion was seconded by Wayne Collins. Voted yes: Tonya Springsted, Jim Bias, Sam Hendrix, Wayne Collins, and Sharon Payne. Voted no: None. Motion carried.

d) Repairing or replacing heating unit in Town Hall.

Chairman Sharon Payne said the heating unit is leaking gas. Jackie Todd said the Board could purchase a unit like the one that was purchased for the sewer plant. He said this is a mini split unit that has both heat and air. He said this unit will cost about \$1,500.00. Jackie a new heating unit to go on the roof of Town Hall will cost over \$4,000.00. Motion was made by Sharon Payne to purchase a mini split unit, with the price not to exceed \$2,500.00. The motion was seconded by Wayne Collins. Voted yes: Tonya Springsted, Jim Bias, Sam Hendrix, Wayne Collins, and Sharon Payne. Voted no: None. Motion carried.

7. Reports from department heads.

Jackie Todd said United Underground, the company that is doing the boring under the turnpike, has started the boring. Chairman Sharon Payne said there was a big water loss this month. Jackie Todd said the water tower ran over. Wayne Collins said the sewer plant and water towers are being surveyed for the grant. Wayne said the Authority needs a water truck, especially after the boring under the turnpike is completed.

8. New business.

There was no new business to be discussed.

9. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Sharon Payne to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Bias. Voted yes: Tonya Springsted, Jim Bias, Sam Hendrix, Wayne Collins, and Sharon Payne. Voted no: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Sharon Payne, CHAIRMAN

SHIRLEY HERRING, SECRETARY