

The Thorntown Utility Service Board met with all members present. Present was Max Allen, Harold Cox, Steve Schenck, Gary Moody and Dax Norton of MS Consultants.

There were no claims presented for approval.

In other business, Max Allen stated he has spoken with Clerk Treasurer Koren Gray about reinvesting some of the CD's that are currently invested at Home National Bank. Allen would like to see the monies spread around to more financial institutions since the FDIC is only insured for \$250,000.00. TRUST IN will be at the next Town Council meeting on April 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss what they do and would provide as another option.

Harold Cox stated he had taken some limbs to the burn pile and Market Lane is in really bad shape. He questioned if it was on the paving list for this year. Gary Moody stated it is.

Cox also asked about the Utility Delinquent List and how that was going? Moody stated we had disconnected water on 4 customers and all but 1 had been in to pay and get reconnected.

Gary Moody stated he had Mick Wilson, the salesman we originally purchased the bucket truck from come by and give his estimate on what it might be worth. Wilson said approximately \$4,000.00, but he was not interested in it. Moody stated he is waiting on the Town Council to declare it as surplus equipment, then we could advertise it for sale by sealed bids. Hoping we will get more than \$4,000.00 for it.

At the last Utility Board meeting it was voted to discontinue adding fluoride to the drinking water system. Moody passed out information to each board member for their review. He had received from Indiana State Board of Health giving reasons why they might still want to continue the addition even though it is not mandatory.

Max Allen stated he and Gary Moody had received information on safety classes provided by IPEP. Allen stated the classes were not mandatory, but if Moody seen something that may be beneficial to our circumstances, then proceed with attending as needed.

Dax Norton of MS Consultants was present just to give an overview and begin a discussion on the new development that has now been approved and annexed to the west end of Town. The new addition is for 163 new homes. With the recent completion of the additional sewage pond, this will only leave roughly 40 homes left until the capacity is reached. A mechanical sewage plant will no doubt be in our future. Norton also feels they need to begin thinking and discussing running water and sewer lines to US 52 and possibly I-65. He believes Lebanon is maxed out on supplying water. The State is looking at water supplies from Lake Michigan and the Wabash River. Norton also believes the reorganization between the Town of Thorntown and Sugar Creek Township is another possibility and those discussion needs to begin as well.

There being no other business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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