BPA Minutes November 21, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Those in attendance were Karl Duff, Kristina Boroff, Darrell Etgen, Bill Snider, Randy Severns.

There was a motion by Darrell with a second from Karl to waive the reading of the minutes, all yeas. There was a motion by Karl with a second from Darrell to accept the minutes, all yeas.

Bill's Report:

We need to look at raising our utility rates to keep up with the rising cost of everything else. People who go to Florida and have their utilities shut off should still be paying the user fees, as this is for debt reduction. Some places are even charging a shut off fee and a reconnect fee for this service. The topic of metered water was discussed. There is EPA money available at 1% interest to help install metering pits. The EPA will evaluate our rates free of charge.

Randy passed his Basic lineman II training. There should always be a lineman on the ground when Randy is in the bucket, Kevin fills this requirement.

Tree trimming around the electric lines is going well, we may need to get Amp Ohio to come in next year and get the spots we can't get.

There was a motion by Darrell and a second by Karl to accept Bill's report, all yeas. <u>Utility Clerk's Report</u>:

Refunds were as follows: Mendon gets \$41.97, Mike Jacob gets \$258.03, Mendon gets \$136.91, Regina Springer gets \$68.50, Sources gets \$94.59 and Nathan Gates gets \$160.42 and Mandon gets \$120.57 and Matt Dersten gets \$200

\$160.43 and Mendon gets \$139.57, and Matt Dorsten gets \$300.

Rick Smith will be sent to Judy and we will write off Rodney Adcock.

There was a motion by Karl with a second by Darrell to approve the report and pay all the refunds, all yeas.

There was a motion by Darrell with a second by Karl to approve a \$1.50 raise for Randy Severns for completing and passing his Basic I and II lineman training and water school to be effective immediately, all yeas. The BPA also recommends a 3% raise for all employees effective January 1, 2008.

After much discussion, there was a motion by Darrell with a second by Karl to raise water and electric rates by 3% effective immediately, all yeas. The BPA also recommends that Council raise sewer rates by 3%.

It was decided that all landlords must pay a \$300 deposit on all properties. There was a motion by Darrell with a second by Karl to adjourn, all yeas.

Darrell Etgen President

Karl Duff member

Kristina Boroff Fiscal Officer

Amy Dudgeon member