

**PERU UTILITIES
MINUTES OF THE PERU UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING OF
December 21, 2022**

The Peru Utilities Service Board held a meeting at the Peru office at 335 East Canal Street, Peru, Indiana, and virtually through video conferencing via Teams Meeting, on Wednesday, December 21, 2022. Chairperson, Mary Costin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. pursuant to notice as required by law. The following Board members were present Chris McKinney, Richard Donoho, Dave Van Baalen and Jami Edwards. Others present Joshua Chance, Jamin Beisiegel, Michael Biesenbach and Tom Gustin-City Council Liason Absent: Dustin Kern-Attorney, and Mayor Miles Hewitt

1.) APPROVE BOARD MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2022:

Board member Chris McKinney moved that the minutes of December 7, 2022 be approved. Board member Richard Donoho seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, motion passed.

2.) PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Board member Richard Donoho made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Board member Chris McKinney seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, the motion passed.

3.) NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

The next regular meeting will be held on-site Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Team-Teaching Room. Teams Meeting video conferencing is available for the public.

4.) PUBLIC COMMENT: None

5.) OLD BUSINESS: None

6.) NEW BUSINESS: None

7.) CITY ADMINISTRATION UPDATE: None

8.) CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE: None

9.) MANAGER'S REPORT:

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY GRID RESILIENCE GRANT:

We submitted for the Department of Energy Grid Resilience grant on December 16th. The concept paper showed the need for updating our Reclosures technology to reduce overall outages and diminish outage duration. We estimate it will be a \$400,000 to \$500,000 project, of which will have to match 30%.

ELECTRIC RATE STUDY:

Mr. Chance conducted a meeting with Baker Tilly on December 21st concerning Draft #3 of the Electric Cost of Service and Rate Study. We feel it is ready to be presented to the Board and will do so at one of the February meetings. Baker Tilly will be participating in the meeting.

MAIN BREAK:

Mr. Chance stated we currently have a main break on Clay Street and are working diligently to repair it. No boil orders are needed at this time.

PREPARING FOR COLD WEATHER:

Mr. Chance reported Peru Utility crews are preparing for the upcoming wintry weather and winds and will be ready as they are needed for repairs. We will keep the safety of our crews a priority; outages and issues may take longer to restore because of it.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to bring before the Board, Jami Edwards made a motion to adjourn. Board member Chris McKinney seconded the motion. The motion passed, the meeting adjourned.

Jami Edwards, Secretary Peru Utilities Service Board

