

**PERU UTILITIES
MINUTES OF THE PERU UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING OF
April 19, 2023**

The Peru Utilities Service Board held a meeting at the Peru office at 335 East Canal Street, Peru, Indiana, and through video conferencing via Teams Meeting, on Wednesday, April 19, 2023. 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 Richard Donoho, Jami Edwards, and Dave Van Baalen. Others present Joshua Chance, Alice Hartley, Jamin Beisiegel, Michael Biesenbach, Tom Gustin-City Council Liason, Mayor Miles Hewitt, and Dust Kern-Attorney. Kathleen Plochow-City Council Liason attended virtually.

1.) APPROVE BOARD MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2023:

Board member Richard Donoho moved that the minutes of April 5, 2023 be approved. Board member Chris McKinney seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, motion passed.

2.) PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Board member Jami Edwards 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, May 3, 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: Mayor Hewitt reported today they had the Police Annual jail break fund raiser for Christmas for kids and medical expenses for a city employees' sick child. Mayor Hewitt stated there will be an auction this Saturday for city surplus items. The auction starts at 10:00 am at the Old Peru Fire Station on Washington Avenue. Mayor Hewitt announced there are three Peru Policemen graduating from the Indiana Police Academy this Friday. Mayor Hewitt stated the City of Peru will be changing insurance coverage from Anthem to AGA-Sagamore network with a savings of \$300,000 in the first year of service. Mr. Gustin announced there is a new Solid Waste Director, Jenny Gatliff and suggested Nick contact her about the Detrash the Wabash event to promote more volunteers.

8.) CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE: Mr. Kern reported a public hearing will be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, on May 1, 2023, at 5:45p.m. and if passed the amended Peru Municipal Electric Utility schedule of proposed rates, charges, and service conditions will begin on June 1, 2023.

9.) MANAGER'S REPORT:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: Mr. Chance reported Peru Utilities will hold a public hearing at 3:30pm on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at Peru Utilities Main Office, for the Mississinewa Lake Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and Mississinewa Lake Drinking Water Infrastructure Improvements Preliminary Engineering Report (PER). Mr. Chance stated Peru Utilities will hold a public hearing at 4:30pm on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at Peru Utilities Main Office for the CSO 011 Separation Project Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and CSO Storage Project Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and Peru Utilities Wastewater Treatment Plant Project Preliminary Engineering Report (PER). Mr. Chance stated at the next board meeting scheduled for May 3, 2023, he will ask for approval of PER's to move forward with the projects.

DETRASH THE WABASH: Mr. Chance announced Detrash the Wabash event will be held this Saturday- April 22nd, 2023, 9:00am-12:00pm. The volunteers will meet at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, drinks and snacks will be provided for the volunteers after the event.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Jami Edwards, Secretary Peru Utilities Service Board

