

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the Michiana Water Authority Commission was called to order at 10:10 am EDT by Commission Chairman Carol Shepherd.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Council members Present:** Chairman Carol Shepherd, Rich Shepherd, and James Wulff.

**Council members Absent:** None.

**Others Present:** Michiana Village Public Works Superintendent Rick Reitz and Michiana Village Clerk Cathy Ganus.

## **ORDINANCE # 15 (41) AMENDMENT**

It was determined that Ordinance # 15 should be in line with other water ordinances regarding payment and penalties applied for non-payment. The following motion was made:

**Motion by Carol Shepherd, second by Jim Wulff, to recommend to the Michiana Village Council that Ordinance # 15 (41) be amended to reflect two (2) billing cycles under item three (3) and item nine (9). Roll call vote showed unanimous approval, motion carried (3-0).**

## **WATER METER LOAN UPDATE**

Reitz advised that he and Ganus have spoken with Capital Advantage Leasing regarding the water meter loan interest rate. During the March, 2010 Village Council meeting, it was stated that the loan interest rate was 12%; however, the loan interest rate is actually 5.3%.

## **POSSIBLE CONNECTION TO MUNICIPAL WATER**

Reitz stated he has been approached by an engineering firm (who has been retained by the gasoline stations across US-12) regarding extending municipal water service to the areas of Redwing Trail to Whitefoot Trail and Twilight to Shady Oak to Brookside. Reitz believes that the insurance companies of the gasoline stations are going to bear the cost of the installation of water service for those areas affected due to an alleged contamination issue.

## **WATER AUTHORITY BUDGET**

Ganus provided members with the Water Authority Fund revenue and expenditures report through this date. The fiscal year is approximately 75.07 % completed and to date, we have only used 44.17%.

## **CROSS CONNECTION**

Reitz briefed the Commission regarding 202 Hoosier Drive in Michiana Shores, Indiana. When public works employees attempted to change the meter out, they encountered an excessive amount of water coming into the meter pit, even though the municipal water had been shut off. Reitz tested the water for chlorine residual and the water was found to be well water. The homeowner was contacted and he advised that the well water is only for sprinkling the lawn and he was unaware that the well had been hooked into the municipal water system. Reitz advised that the water has been turned off and service will not be restored until the illegal cross connection is rectified. At that time penalties for the illegal cross connection shall be assessed per Ordinance # 24 (43).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am EDT.

Cathy A. Ganus  
Michiana Village Clerk