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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
(Blaies/Matchett/Niebruegge/Pruett)  
Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 by Chairman Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Ray Matchett, Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge (absent), Trustee Dean Pruett, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Matt Trout, Public Works Director John Tolan, Head Lineman Shane Krauss, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg (absent) and Office Manager Julie Polson.

## A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of October 14, 2015 Minutes: Trustee Ray Matchett motioned to approve the October 14, 2015 minutes and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. Surplus Equipment: Head Lineman Shane Krauss has a transformer that tested a little high in PCBs so it will be incinerated instead of selling it. You can sell them at 50 ppm and lower and this one tested at 59. Shane stated you are responsible for it no matter where it goes. He doesn't sell anything close to that limit. T&R Service will incinerate it for us, and Shane confirmed there will be a charge for them to do that. Shane is hoping things will slow down so he can get the items added onto the I bid system.
3. IMEA Grant Program: JT said we have to spend our portion by March.
4. Charter Pole Agreement: Nothing new on this.
5. Spreadsheet of Agreements: Nothing new on this.
6. IMEA Annual Meeting: John and Shane will attend.

## B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clearwave Proposal: Shane said this was the company that brought fiber through town to the schools, library and Sentinel. At that time, it was \$5,000 for us to hook onto their fiber. They have provided an updated proposal to provide us fiber with a \$350 monthly fee and no hook up charge. Tony has talked to high school, and they are very happy with the service. The fiber would come here and then out our own fiber to both power plants. In future, we could send fiber to the sewer plant. We'd only be paying for one service. Shane said the goal is to get rid of Charter. We will come back next month with more definitive numbers.

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2. South Loop Extension: Shane explained we have a south loop that comes from the north sub, to the old power plant, down Tank Road and back around to Village Hall out on Rt. 15, to where Matt Koerber lives off Old Fayetteville Road. He would like to make the old line out to Seth and Mr. Middendorf and Mr. Groh more reliable by taking the electric underground. He will need help in getting an easement or he might be able to go in the road right of way. This would come out of next year's budget.
3. LED Street Lighting: Shane advised he is going to start phasing out the 100 watt high pressure sodium lights which are most of the streetlights. The price has come down on LEDs, they last a lot longer, the maintenance is less, and they use less power. He has some sample LED lights up and they are really nice. He has one on Lakeview and another at N. State and Peabody. Shane stated one reason he waited is because the technology is much better now. We could use the IMEA grant money for this, and Shane said he has a street light budget for it. As one fails, he will replace it with LED. With the grant money, he could do a section of town. Matt said if we don't use all the grant money, we could take the remainder to be put towards this.

Shane advised the decorative lights in Sugar Creek are starting to fail. The current fixtures very expensive to replace. We need to make a decision on whether to go LED or buy old kind. Shane thinks there are six lights and they bought the two lights at the entrance to the subdivision.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Ray Matchett motioned to adjourn at 5:52 p.m. and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson  
Office Manager