

Board of Municipal Utilities
Work Session Minutes
March 21, 2017
201 Miller Road
Avon Lake, Ohio

The work session was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mr. Dzwonczyk, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Rickey, Mr. Rush, and Mrs. Schnabel.

Also present: WPCC Manager Baytos, Distribution and Collection Manager Kasten, Engineering Services Manager Gaydar, Mayor Zilka, and Morning Journal Reporter Kevin Martin.

Manager Updates:

Engineering Services Manager Jack Gaydar provided an overview of recent past, current, and future projects. He explained the services his department provides to the organization includes surveying, utility protection marking, designing water and sewer lines, and GIS (documenting utility infrastructure), among other things.

Distribution and Collection Manager Rick Kasten provided an overview of what the distribution and collection crew does and what it has recently accomplished. He explained how the crews split up to do work such as repairing water main breaks, how they are preparing for the future, and how they respond immediately to problems to get mains back in operation very quickly. Because the crew recently responded to a break on the ETL1 line, he provided information about how responding to a break on a 36" line is much different than a neighborhood-sized line.

Both were asked by the Board about one thing they want or would like. Mr. Gaydar asked for an Engineering Technician. They both would like a full time Locator for OUPS. Mr. Kasten indicated his department could benefit from adding a position of a Maintenance Man I as well as the purchase/lease of a mini excavator.

The work session adjourned at 6:48 PM.

Approved April 4, 2017

John G. Dzwonczyk, Chairman

Stephen C. Baytos IV, Acting Clerk