

Board of Municipal Utilities
Work Session Minutes
November 1, 2016
201 Miller Road
Avon Lake, Ohio

The work session was called to order at 6:30 PM.

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

Also present: Mayor Zilka, Councilmember Fenderbosch, and Chief Utilities Executive Danielson.

Recent Ordinances

The CUE presented two ordinances (129-2016 and 133-2016) recently passed by Council and discussed how they would affect Avon Lake Regional Water's non-bargaining staff. These were the matter of a motion the Board made on October 4, 2016, specifically requesting the Council exclude all employees of Avon Lake Regional Water. With the revisions the Council made to the original draft ordinance, the Board expressed comfort in rescinding its October 4, 2016, motion at the upcoming November 15, 2016, meeting.

Recent Water Breaks

Member Rickey inquired about the recent water breaks. CUE Danielson stated that Avon Lake Regional Water experienced a number of breaks, as did Sheffield Lake, as a result of poor readings from a pressure sensor in the distribution system, near the Avon Lake Water Filtration Plant. As staff was responding to a water break on Electric Boulevard and was closing valves, the pressure sensor began reading low pressure, which caused the pumps to push more water into the system. Unfortunately, the pressure sensor was not accurately representing the system pressure. The sensor has since been moved, and staff is assessing what other operational changes should be considered to reduce chances for future issues.

The work session adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Approved November 15, 2016

John G. Dzwonczyk, Chairman

Todd A. Danielson, Clerk