

Board of Municipal Utilities
Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2025
201 Miller Road
Avon Lake, Ohio

Call to Order – Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM. The meeting was held in-person using web-based video conferencing technology and streamed live over Facebook.

Present: Mr. Mondello, Mr. Rickey, Mr. Rush, and Mrs. Schnabel.

Excused: Mr. Dzwonczyk

Also present: CUO Yuronich, Attorney Diane Calta of Mansour Gavin, Officer Riggs of the Avon Lake Police Department and City of Avon Lake Councilwoman Amy Gentry

Approve Minutes

Mr. Rush presented the Minutes of the February 18, 2025 regular meeting. With no additional changes, additions or corrections noted, he ordered that the minutes stand and be distributed as presented.

Public Speakers

None.

Correspondence

None.

Expenditures

Following review of expenses for funds and amounts as follows, Mr. Rickey moved, Mrs. Schnabel seconded, to approve the expenditures of February 14 through February 27, 2025:

Water Fund 701	\$	175,560.94
Water Distribution Fund 723	\$	114,996.24
Wastewater Fund 721	\$	165,960.68
Sewer Collection Fund 722	\$	105,159.78
ETL1 Fund 703	\$	7,259.02
ETL2 Fund 762	\$	5,027.06
LORCO Fund 749	\$	8,848.15
Water Construction Fund 704	\$	147,712.44

Ayes (per voice vote): Mondello, Rickey, Rush, and Schnabel

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Step Increase

Mr. Yuronich informed the Board that Customer Service Rep Maggie Howell is approaching her one-year anniversary date and will be receiving the step increase she is due. Mr. Yuronich stated that she has been performing very well and will move to Customer Service Rep Step 2 at \$25.11/hour effective March 11, 2025.

Project Updates

Power Plant Update: Mr. Kimevski informed the Board that cleanup from the December 2024 implosion continues.

ETL Design Services: No update. Mr. Rush inquired about the status of the project as it has been delayed for some time. Mr. Yuronich informed the Board that Attorney Connie Carr continues to work on the easement acquisitions so that this project may proceed.

WFP Improvements: Mr. Kimevski informed the Board that The Great Lakes Construction Company (GLC) has completed the temporary work area on the chemical feed building to allow the forms and rebar to be placed in preparation of the upcoming concrete pours for the upper part of this structure. Mr. Kimevski stated that on February 24, 2025 ALRW staff and the GLC completed the installation of the blind flange that will allow connection of the new filters to existing WFP infrastructure. Mr. Kimevski informed the Board that ALRW coordinated with the bulk customers and ensured the clearwells and towers throughout ALRW's and the bulk customer's distribution systems were full to allow this work to be completed without issue. Mr. Kimevski added that the outage lasted for five hours before staff was able to restart bringing water into the WFP to replenish treated water reserves. Mr. Kimevski also stated that GLC continues welding of the filtrate headers for the new filters with plans to install them over the next two weeks.

SCADA Communication Upgrade: No update.

Techwin Project: Mr. Kimevski informed the Board that the lead time for the delivery of electrical components for the equipment is approximately four weeks. Mr. Kimevski stated that once the components arrive and are installed the system start-up can be scheduled with Techwin. Mr. Rush inquired about the certification of the sodium hypochlorite that will be produced by this generating station and wished to know how that is proceeding or if the process needs to wait until the station is up and running. Mr. Yuronich stated that the station will need to be producing product before the certification can take place because an onsite audit and testing will need to be performed to earn National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) certification. Mr. Rickey inquired if any bulk chemical storage will be at the generating site. Mr. Yuronich and Mr. Kimevski stated that salt and sodium hydroxide will be stored there. Mr. Rickey then asked if there are provisions for containment. Mr. Kimevski stated that there is secondary containment within the building.

CUO Report

Mr. Yuronich informed the Board that Tim Dillon, an Operator at the Water Reclamation Facility, retired on February 28, 2025 after sixteen years of employment with ALRW. Mr. Yuronich thanked Mr. Dillon for his service and wished him a happy retirement.

Miscellaneous & Member Reports

Mr. Rickey stated that he will be attending the monthly LORCO Trustees meeting on March 13, 2025.

Mr. Mondello stated that he will be absent from the March 18, 2025 meeting.

Public Speakers

None.

Adjourn

As there was no further business, Mrs. Schnabel moved, and Mr. Rickey seconded, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Ayes (per voice vote): Mondello, Rickey, Rush, and Schnabel

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Approved March 18, 2025.

Tim Rush, Acting Chairman

Greg Yuronich, Acting Clerk