

# High Knob Utilities, Inc.

## High Knob Utilities Board Meeting

August 10, 2009

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### Call to Order:

Dave Henderson called the HKUI meeting to order at 7:06 P.M. Other HKUI Board members in attendance were, Keith Arnett, Josh Douglas, Vince Bonzagni and Vic Jones. Members absent: None: Dave Henderson asked if there were additions to the agenda, there was no response.

### Previous Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting were presented to the board for review. Josh Douglas noted a minor correction was required and moved to accept the minutes with the single correction, Keith Arnett seconded, the motion passed.

### Staff Reports:

Treasurer's Report- Written report available at the High Knob Office. In the treasurer's report salaries/admin are recorded on the wrong line. HKOA still owes HKUI a credit in the amount of \$1,304, as a result of an Allegheny Power overcharge. This should show up on our next bill. Cash on hand, a deposit of \$26,000 will be made on Aug 11

Cindy Kerns- Cindy has gotten her wish. The office received 2 new computers at a cost of \$1,300 that amount will be split between HKOA and HKUI. The expenditure amount was approved by an ad hoc committee with members from both High Knob boards. A short discussion ensued enumerating the attributes of the new computers.

Jerry Pomeroy- Jerry replaced cables and antennae on SKADA sites. Had 4 trees taken down on Salt Lick Rd and 6 trees at the Massanutten repeater site. Cleaned out reservoir sites for inspection. Used weed eater to clear the areas around all valve boxes and hydrants. Measured the water line on Windy Way and made a parts list in preparation for replacing the line. Started stocking gravel for new water line on Windy Way. (It should be noted that this listing does not include regular chores) Jerry Pomeroy does not foresee any large expenditure for our rolling stock in the near future.

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**Old Business:** A meeting was held on July 27<sup>th</sup> to discuss raising water rates for the mountain. HKUI Board members present at that meeting were Dave Henderson, Josh Douglas, and Vic Jones, Dan Althouse also attended. The committee decided to raise the water rate 5% and the basic charge from \$81 to \$85. Josh Douglas moved to accept the ad hoc committee's recommendation whereas inflation has risen over 30% since the current rates were established. Keith Arnett proposed that the basic rate remain the same. Dave Henderson called for discussion on the motion and it was decided the motion would be changed to a 5% increase on the water rate only. Keith Arnett seconded, motion passed. It was noted that this was a proposal and must meet the approval of the SCC, after notification of the HKOA members.

Dave Henderson moved to expend monies required for 3,000 ft of piping to replace the existing line on Windy Way. No motion or vote was required as the amount required was already budgeted.

Dan Althouse brought up the fact that authorization is required to allow Cindy Kerns to obtain account balances from both United Bank and Rappahannock Bank.

Dave Henderson noted that we need to make application to The Department of Taxation , Commonwealth of Virginia. For granting sales tax exemption to HKUI ASAP

Dave Henderson noted that Chief Mabee should be asked to certify our hydrants. Dan Althouse was tasked with this item.

**Adjournment:** Next meeting is scheduled for Oct 5, at 7PM. Dave Henderson adjourned the meeting at 8:20PM.

**Vic Jones**  
**Secretary, HKUI Board**