

Village of Thurston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
January 14, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Mary Boring. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present	JoAnn Hite – present	Jimmy Barber JR - absent
Garry Boring – present	Lowell Hite – present	1 OPEN council seat
Mary Boring, Mayor – present	Aaron Reedy, Clerk – present	

No visitors were present.

Barb Anderson from GGC was present. She congratulated the Council for providing their own water via the water system (all but 12 customers). She recommended granting final completion for Division B Mid Atlantic Storage – there are no punch items left with them. She said the other 2 divisions have punch items left to complete. Barb discussed the punch list. She also shared the spare parts list and other misc. items needed for the plant.

Garry made a motion to have the interconnect with Baltimore water terminated. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Barb said the EPA said backflow prevention should be in place between the two water systems. They also encourage systems to provide emergency connectivity to each other. She said we need to know if EPA requires a physical disconnect. Baltimore was planning on just shutting off valve in the meter pit. Barb suggested the meter should be removed and blind flanged, then keep the meter there for emergency use. We should get recommendation from the EPA.

Robert made a motion to approve the December 2014 meeting minutes. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to approve the January 6, 2015 organizational meeting minutes. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES, with JoAnn voting no and Lowell abstaining. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve the December 2014 financial statement. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

**Business from Fire Chief -**

Jim was present and submitted his report. He said he needed a volunteer board member for the VFFDF board. Garry Boring volunteered to be on the board. Chief said Walnut Township is looking into providing insurance on the Fire Department instead of us to see if they can get it cheaper. Mary doesn't want the township making any moves unless it's discussed with Council. Robert said his church has a defibrillator. He asked if they needed training to use it. Chief said they are pretty simple to use, but the department will provide training if they request it.

**Business from the Safety Committee** – no business

**Business from the Service Committee** – no business

**Business from the Finance Committee** – didn't meet

**Business from the Regional Planning Representative** – Robert said he didn't attend.

**Old Business** – None

**New Business** – Garry made a motion to have an ordinance prepared to update the curfew ordinance. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to have an ordinance prepared to make changes to the burning ordinance. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Chief Hite had a question about plow truck and cleaning the fire department driveway. Council said whoever plows the Village will do the Fire Dept. property.

As there was no further business to discuss, JoAnn made a motion to adjourn. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Time is 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully prepared by,

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Aaron Reedy