Tuesday, November 14, 1972

A called meeting which begans at 7:15 p.m. at Lucian Flora's office. Present were Chairman Maurice Marr, Board Members Dr. James Hill and Mr. Flora, and Mr. Max Harlan.

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The meeting was called to discuss the distribution of checkssto customers of the Smiths Grove Water Company during August-September 1970. At that time the water system was polluted by whey which was dumped on the Willis Sledge farm near Hays by Swift and Company, a circumstance which resulted in court action being instituted against the polluters by the Board.

Mr. Harlan presented the settlement checks of \$8,599.65 to the water company and \$8,599.66 to be divided among the users of the water supply at the time it was polluted. This latter check is to be divided between 331 users (\$25.98 to each).

The settlement of the suit was set at \$30,000.00 and Mr. Harlan gave that following breakdown of where that money has gone and will go:

> \$10,000.00 Lawyers' Fees 507.60 Court costs 2,293.09 Other expenses (tests, etc.) 17,199.31 To Smiths Grove \$30,000.00

The City Clerk and Mr. Harlan's assistant are to work together in the issuance of the 331 checks to customers. The cost of postage for the checks (331 eight-cent stamps which equal \$26.48 worth) will be paid for from the Water Company Fund.

Mr. J.W. Blue will deposit the Water Company settlement check in the Water Company Depreciation Account.

Mr. Harlan will have 1,000 envelopes printed for the town at Kelly's Office Equipment Company (at the town's expense).

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