

MINUTES OF THE WATER COMMISSION MEETING – AUGUST 17, 2010

Call to Order

Water Commission meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Kevin Coffey, Chair

Roll Call

PRESENT: Kevin Coffey, Chair
Mike Bevers
Larry Van Lankvelt
Tim Wegand
Charles Fischer, Village President
Roy Van Gheem

EXCUSED: Leon Vanden Heuvel
Vicki Schneider, Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Charles Kell, Director of Finance Dale Haug
MCO Representatives – Jerry Verstegen

Public Appearance for Items Not on the Agenda

None

Approval of Minutes

Water Commission Minutes of June 15, 2010

Moved by Commissioner Van Lankvelt, seconded by Commissioner Bevers to approve the minutes of June 15, 2010 as presented.

All Ayes – Motion Carried

Capital Improvement Plan – Water Utility

Staff reviewed the proposed projects and costs for future water utility projects. It was pointed out that project planned for this year on Kelbe and Moasis are being pushed to next year and McKinley and Grand are being pushed out to possibly 2013. D. Haug noted that although there are not that many planned projects, the costs are significant. J. Verstegen and staff also reviewed the proposed projects for equipment repairs/replacements and purchases for the water plants. D. Haug also reviewed how the water relay costs compare to the sewer and storm water utility projects. D. Haug also pointed out that the Village Board has not made any decisions yet on the proposed CIP. Discussion took place. D. Haug stated he was not looking for any action to be taken on the CIP at this time and it will be brought back to the Commission after the Village Board has reviewed the plans for the utilities.

Progress Reports

MCO Operations Update

J. Verstegen reported on plant operations noting that all plants are operating and Well No. 4 only runs at night and the other two wells run during the day. J. Verstegen stated that a brine pump did go down at Well #2 and the life of the brine pumps is only a couple years so they are looking at other options for the pumps. J. Verstegen reported that the security gate at Well #1 was hit by a vehicle and the damage amounted to approximately \$1,400 and this information was given to the Police Department so restitution can be sought from the person that caused the damage. J. Verstegen reported that the incident was recorded by the plant's security cameras. J. Verstegen reported that there was a water main break on Sanitorium and he noted that hydrants have been moved back on Washington Street due to the street being widened. J. Verstegen also reported that there were 86 meter changes that were conducted and he noted that with the cross connection program he may have underestimated the number of vacuum

breakers that were needed for inside connections. J. Verstegen reported on the proposed activities for the Department for September which will include a large number of meters changes and inspections. J. Verstegen also reported that the pump volumes have been down due to the wet weather.

Director of Public Works

R. Van Gheem reported that the Village and Commission will have to pay close attention to the new regulations coming out and the costs that will be associated with the regulations.

Finance Director

D. Haug reported that the residential revenue is up even with lower consumption due to the simplified rates study and increase conducted last year. D. Haug pointed out the increase in the industrial revenue was mainly due to the Nestle expansion and he noted the prior company was strongest in the third and fourth quarter. D. Haug noted that the treatment expenses are higher due to the cost of chemicals.

Approval of Vouchers

Moved by Commissioner Van Lankvelt, seconded by Commissioner Bevers to approve and authorize payment of the vouchers from their respective funds as presented.

All Ayes – Motion Carried

Unfinished Business

R. Van Gheem stated he had provided paperwork on the annual conference to Commissioners and asked Commissioner's to confirm if they were planning to attend the conference.

Items for Future Agenda

Report on Well No. 3.

Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Wegand, seconded by Commissioner Bevers to adjourn the meeting at 6: 55 p.m.

All Ayes - Motion Carried

VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE

Attest: Vicki Schneider, Village Clerk

By: Kevin Coffey, Chair