

Utility Commission Meeting Minutes

05.10.2022

Approved

Call to Order: 5:00 PM by Mendum

Roll Call: Campfield, Lindemann, Lange, Mendum, Stanek Other: Brown, Lind, Skowronski, Sparling, Tim Hamburg, Jim Garvin

Lange /Campfield Approval of Minutes. All Ayes.

Public Comment: Jim Garvin- Clinic Update. Tim Hamburg concerns over water rust in pipes. Has been ongoing for some time. Has replaced his lateral and connected to new line. New line is still a dead end on low side. Has lost several clothing items, bedding etc. Rust stains in many items. Would like City to consider putting in new pipe while road is torn up. Consideration for City paying for the cost to be connected to high side. Discussion on options and plumbing. Dave will obtain quote for work. Once quote obtained Dave will contact Ed Mendum.

Water/Wastewater Report- Lind presented report. Water test good. Sewer is complete in downtown project area. Water main is being flushed in the area. Must test water before putting into service. Sewer main will need to go into main street. Commons water on. Water on at campground. Discussion on wash station for fair. Update on PFAS sampling, has been sent in. Information regarding sludge sampling. Samples are high on zinc. Can not land apply currently. Called Pete Pfefferkorn, he suggested we pull another sample. Kay from Rural Water is going to help with ordinances. Discussion on land applying sludge. Have collected and tested in Brunner manhole, zinc levels are high from the manhole samples. We need to find out what we can do with the sludge. Dave has called and left messages for Brunner staff.

Discussion on work week/working hours 5.01. Water/Sewer departments are only departments affected by 7-day work week. Water/Sewer departments work 7 days a week. Lind would like commission to consider compensation for weekend work. Campfield concerns on how it would affect budget and rates. Lind has concerns on how it may affect future hiring and retention. Campfield believes that policy should stay as is. Further discussion surrounding on call status and weekend scheduling and rotation as it currently stands. Discussion on possible options if changes were made. Table Discussion on 5.01 Policy until June Meeting.

Discussion on Internal Applicant for Water/Wastewater position. Discussion on offering trial period to see if internal applicant has interest in position. If allowed this would be paid through police budget for his police wages.

Electric Report- Report included in packet. Kuester absent.

Discussion on Ford F550's and options as our order had been canceled. Kuester would like to see if local dealer has anything. Stanek has offered discussion on status of vehicles on order in today's market. Stanek will speak with local dealer he has relationship with to see if we can come up with options to consider.

Admin Report- Brown presented report. Discussion on Solar at Gundersen. Need Dave Krause for rate case. Information on Brunner equipment for secondary metering. Equipment for primary metering was put in by Michaels. Discussion on moving forward. Need Dave Krause to do inspection.

Stanek/Lange motion to approve bills. Roll Call. All Ayes.

Commission Communication: Discussion on Pool

Lindemann/Campfield motion to adjourn. All Ayes.

Geena Skowronski
Utility Clerk