

## **Water & Sewer Commission Meeting November 27, 2023**

The Independence Water & Sewer Commission met on Monday November 26, 2023 at the City Hall, 23688 Adams Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:16 pm by Tom Kloss. In attendance were Richard Warner, Craig Konter, Jason Ekern, Joe Galewski, Tom Jenson, Tom Kloss, Tiffany Bautch and Julie Dascher.

### **Proof of Giving Public Notice**

Public Notice was Given.

### **Approval of Minutes – October 23, 2023**

Motion by Tom Jenson to approve the minutes from the September 25<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Second by Jason Ekern. All voting aye, Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** None

### **Old Business:**

#### **A. Sewer Ordinance/Discussion/Review/Action**

Joe is checking with other Cities for pricing for TSS (Total Suspended Solids) for industries for comparisons. Tom Kloss suggested calling SEH to get clarification on what the formula means. This will be added to the next Months agenda.

#### **B. Water Rate Discussion/Review/Action**

This will be added to the next Months agenda.

#### **C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Water Main Discussion/Review/Action**

Tom Kloss stated the bill from Larson Plumbing was within reason and we will try to pay this bill in December.

#### **D. Fire Hydrant Update**

River & Franklin Street Fire Hydrants have been repaired with new tops and guts. There are 2 more Fire Hydrants that need repairs. Repair kits cost about \$380.00 each.

#### **E. Well Permits & Enforcement on 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Howard Street**

The Council discussed that this isn't a Water & Sewer issue it's a City Ordinance issue. Tom Kloss asked Joe to check to be sure the curb stop is shut off.

### **New business:**

#### **A. Spanish Cooking Oil Notification Update**

Even with all the efforts made to get the word out about the grease, Joe reported there is still an issue with the grease.

#### **B. WWTP-Discussion/Review Update**

We received the draft from SEH on Monday 10-27-2023 We need to give this to Davy Engineering before we can have a Public Hearing.

#### **C. Sewer Meter/Rate Discussion/Review**

We are waiting for advice from the Auditor. This will be added to the next Months Agenda

**D. Well Permits** – City Ordinance issue.

**E. Delinquent Billings**

We are doing well with collections.

**F. Title Change**

Motion by Richard Warner to change Joe Galewski's Title from Operator to Superintendent. Second by Tom Jenson. All voting Aye. Motion passed.

**G. Schooling/Testing Update** – There are No updates.

**H. Superintendent's Report** - None

**I. Date for Future Meeting**

Monthly Water & Sewer Meeting will be Monday December 27,2023 at 6:15 pm and the Budget Meeting January 15,2024 at 6:15

**J. Items for Next Agenda**

**Old Business:**

A. Sewer Ordinances/Discussion/Review/Action

B. Water Rate Discussion/Review/ Action

**New Business:**

A. WWTP-Discussion/Review Updates

B. Sewer Meter/ Rate Discussion/Review

**K. Commissioner's Comments**

None

**Adjournment** at 8:29 pm

Julie Dascher

Deputy Clerk