Water & Sewer Commission Meeting May 27, 2025

The Independence Water & Sewer Commission met on Monday May 27, 2025, at the City Hall, 23688 Adams Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm by Tom Jensen. In attendance Tom Kloss, Richard Warner, Craig Konter, Tom Jensen, Jason Ekern, Joe Galewski, Randy "Fritz" Conrad, City Attorney Rick Schaumberg and City Clerk Dawn Smieja.

Proof of Giving Public Notice: Yes

Approval of Agenda: Motioned by Jason Ekern and Seconded by Craig Konter. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of acclamation to approve.

Approval of Minutes –April 28, 2025: Motion by Craig Konter to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2025, meeting as presented. Second by Richard Warner. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of acclamation to approve.

Public Comments: City Clerk Dawn is looking into paying bills online for our residents.

Old Business:

- **A. High Ammonia at the Independence Public School**: Discussion to bring City Attorney up to date on the High Ammonia issue. Atty Rick will contact previous City Atty Laverne Michalak to see if service was properly given.
- **B.** Independence Public School Water Bill: Jason Ekern rescinded his motion from last month to pay half right away and half in 30 days with letter from attorney of progress billing, seconded by Craig Konter. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of acclamation to approve.
- **C. Well Pump Inspection:** June 23, 2025, they are coming to pull pump #2.
- **D.** Facility Plan Review with Davy Engineering: Joe has not heard from Tim on the H & H study.
- **E.** Water Pipe Survey: Potholes are done and filled. Water side is done on the survey side. 192 surveys are left from the public.
- F. Ferric Tank and Shed: Waiting for Larson Plumbing to come.
- G. Grant Application: Dawn has not heard and will check and update next meeting.

New Business:

A. Curb on Wayne St: Clerk to send letter to Chad Repinski for him to fix curb.

Superintendents Report

A. Disconnect Update: Have 3 influent pumps and 2 are bad.

Commissioners Report: Tom Jensen is ok with running Water & Sewer for a couple of months but has asked them to consider someone for the Water & Sewer Commissioner.

Items for Next Agenda

- A. Independence Public High School High Ammonia/Water Bill
- B. Facility Plan Review with Davy Engineering/Ferric Tank/Shed
- C. Status update on Water Pipe Survey
- D. Grant Application
- E. Well Pump Inspection
- F. Disconnect Update
- **G.** Influent Pump
- H. Audit Update
- I. Curb on Wayne St

Future Date for the next Meeting June 30, 2025 @ 6:15pm

Adjournment at 7:39 PM

Dawn Smieja, City Clerk