**Water & Sewer Commission Meeting**

**January 30, 2023**

The Independence Water & Sewer Commission met on Monday, January 30, 2023 at City Hall, 23688 Adams Street. The meeting was called to order at 5:45 by Tom Kloss. In attendance were Craig Konter, Tom Kloss, Tom Jensen, Richard Warner, Jason Ekern, Joe Galewski, and Lenice Pronschinske.

**Approval of Minutes – December 27, 2022**

Motion by Tom Jensen to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Craig Konter. Motion carried.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Old Business**

**SEH Updates**

Nothing this month. Requesting they be in attendance at the February meeting with more information on the Facility Plan.

Joe should schedule a walk-through tour of the sewer plant with Davy Engineering to get a second opinion on what needs to be updated at the sewer plan.

**Chemical Pumps**

We are having issues with the pricing on pumps from Hawkins. They are quite a bit cheaper at USA Blue Book, but need to find some one that will help install them.. Motion by Jason Ekern and seconded by Tom Jensen to offer Joe the ability do seek assistance with installation up to but not exceed $9000.00. Motion carried

**Meeting Compensation**

Nothing at this time.

**New Business**

**Sewer Main Liners/Manhole Repairs**

Joe is not getting anywhere, he emailed 7 companies and only heard back from 2 of them. He is to contact Blair and bring this back next month.

**Schooling/Testing Update**

Joe is taking a class in Chetek for hydrants on Thursday, February 9th. There is nothing new on Kenny. Jason Ekern will have Kenny attend the next Law Enforcement/Personnel meeting to get him moving forward.

**Superintendent’s Report**

* Still having issues with grease. Joe is going to do a walk through at Gold’n Plump and do a check on the chemicals being used there.
* The new lift gate has been installed on the utility truck. The old one will be put on the Wisconsin Surplus auction site for sale.
* The grease trap should be checked at the Coffee Pot while it is closed for remodeling.

**Work on 2023 Water & Sewer Budgets**

The Utility board worked on and set the water and sewer budgets for 2023.

**Approval of Proposed Budgets**

Motion by Richard Warner and seconded by Jason Ekern to approved the proposed 2023 budget as follows:

Water: $378,950.00

Sewer: $559,862.79

Motion carried with Craig Konter, Richard Warner, Tom Kloss, Tom Jensen and Jason Ekern voting aye.

**Date For Future Meetings**

Nest meeting – February 27th at 6:15

**Items for Next Month’s Meeting**

* SEH WWTP Facility Plan
* Chemical Pump Pricing
* Meeting Compensation
* Sewer Main Liners/Manhole Repairs
* Schooling/Testing Up-Dates

**Commissioner’s Comments**

No Comments

**Adjournment**

Tom Kloss adjourned the meeting at 7:22pm.