**Water & Sewer Commission Meeting**

**October 24, 2022**

The Independence Water & Sewer Commission met on Monday, October 24, 2022 at City Hall, 23688 Adams Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:15 by Tom Kloss. In attendance were Craig Konter, Tom Kloss, Jason Ekern, Lenice Pronschinske and Joe Galewski.

**Approval of Minutes – September 26, 2022**

Motion by Craig Konter and seconded by Jason Ekern to approve the minutes as presented with the correction of a typo. Motion carried.

**Approval of Agenda** - Motion by Jason Ekern and seconded by Craig Konter to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Public Comments**

No one was present for public comments

**Old Business:**

**SEH Discussion on the WWTP facility plan public hearing.**

After much discussion it was decided that we ask Jeff and Katie Jo to be at the next utility meeting with information on what information will be available at a public hearing and what is the utilities up front cost.

**Valve Replacement – Update on blacktopping**

Blacktopping will be done when Trempealeau County Highway Department comes to pave Jefferson and Madison Streets, hopefully in the next few days. Cost from the County for the valve blacktopping is $4000.00.

When getting ready to pave Jefferson they found a sewer main that was never replaced. Eli had Luke run a camera through it to make sure it was good. They also capped a pipe that was broken off and not needed for anything.

**New Business:**

**Chemical Pumps Pricing**

Joe is waiting on a meeting with Jeff from SEH, Energetics and Hawkins to pick out a pump and then work on the pricing.

**Screener Repair/Replace**

Joe is going to Neillsville with someone from Energetics to look at a new screener. But for the time being we will put the replacement on the back burner since it seems to be working.

**Sludge Tank Mixer**

They had problems with the sludge tank mixer when they were cleaning out the tank. A weld broke on the mixer shaft and the estimate to get it fixed is $6,889.82. We will revisit this in the spring.

**Schooling/Testing**

Nothing has been done, but both Joe and Ken are scheduling a test.

**Superintendent’s Report**

* Jim Bisek will be done doing our weekend plant checks, his last weekend will be Thanksgiving.
* Luke will be here next week cleaning sewer lines. He will also be cleaning the headworks.
* It was suggested that we contact other communities to see if they are having grease problems and what they are doing to resolve them. Also, what measures they are taking to inform customers.

**Date & Items for Next Month’s Meeting**

Monday, November 28, 2022 @ 6:15

SEH – Planning Public Hearing

Update on Blacktopping

Valve Rebuild Kits

Chemical Pump Pricing

Schooling/Testing

Income & Expense Report

Meeting with W/S employees for wage negations – Wednesday, November 2nd @ 6:30

**Commissioner’s Comments**

No Comments.

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Lenice Pronschinske

City Clerk