**Water & Sewer Commission Meeting**

**August 27, 2019**

The Independence Water & Sewer Commission met on Monday, July 29, 2019 at City Hall, 23688 Adams Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm by Ben Sylla. Present were Tom Kloss, Craig Konter, Chad Miemietz, Jason Ekern, Dennis Pronschinske, Mayor Baecker, Marlet Marsolek, and Kari Pedersen.

**Minutes:**

Motion by Tom Kloss and seconded by Chad Miemietz to approve the minutes as presented from the June 25th meeting. Motion Carried.

**Old Business**

**Ammonia Testing**

Results from the testing that is being done in house were gone over, comparing them with the numbers that the lab has come up with. Several sites throughout the City are being tested, all coming back with high levels.

**Air Valve Lubrication – Tom Kloss Report**

Tom Kloss reported that he talked to an employee at Zorn about our dryer and the issues we were having. It was a dryer issue/failure that caused our solenoids to fail.

**New Business**

**Davy Lab - Phosphorus Trading**

Davy Lab wasn’t in attendance. Two employees/sales associates from Resource Environmental Solutions (RES) briefly presented what their company is able to provide to municipalities with low phosphorus obligations to get within compliance. The Commission would like to set up a meeting in the near future to discuss this further.

**Phosphorus Pilot Test**

Dennis reported that by doing a ferric acid pilot test through Hawkins, he was able to get our phosphorus numbers down to 1ppm. The Commission would like Dennis and Eli to work together to get ferric acid running at the WWTP to help bring our numbers down. To do so they will need to put up a little shed/outer building and get a bulk tank and tubing running into the main building.

**Water Service Connection – Jim Grulkowski Residence**

The process is underway to get Jim Grulkowski’s residence hooked into City Water, he currently has sewer only.

**Training**

Eli and Joe both passed their tests, Eli is now fully water certified.

Joe will be going to CVTC in October for classes.

**Superintendent’s Report**

A new scale is needed at the Well. The Commission would like Dennis to obtain 3 formal quotes to present at next month’s meeting.

**Personnel Report**

Nothing to Report

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

Monday, September 30 @ 6:15

* WWTP & Phosphorus Planning
* Ammonia Testing
* Water Filter Actuator
* Scale Quote
* Revenues & Expenses
* Training
* Superintendent Report

**Closed Session**

Motion by Chad Miemietz and Seconded by Jason Ekern to enter into Closed Session with Craig Konter, Tom Kloss, Chad Miemietz, Ben Sylla, and Jason Ekern voting Aye. Motion Carried 5-0 at 6:59pm.

**Return to Open Session**

Motion by Tom Kloss and seconded by Chad Miemietz to return to open session at 9:46pm.

**Commissioner’s Comments**

None

Motion was made by Craig Konter and seconded by Tom Kloss for adjournment. Motion Carried at 9:47pm.

Kari Pedersen

Deputy City Clerk