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To be honest, the Council and Mayor all still hold the position that they don't wish to sell and that it is a bad idea to lose the revenue.....but I think deep down there is some curiosity, financially, of what it would look like to actually go that path (i.e. a ballpark comparison that a town our size with only water would look like). Also if this is the wrong fit for us as they suspect, then we would like to have a better response for our citizens and truly do our due diligence. My Mayor has had some long discussions with the 201 Board and I have had a few with Heritage Acres who would also be affected and the reasons to not sell the sewer are pretty evident, but we know we only have one side of the story on the water discussion.

I just spoke with the Mayor again and posed the same question you asked.....what else is there that we are needing to know? I told him you and I spoke before the holidays and that I let you know sewer was off the table and that you said you could get me a comparison or at least let me know what the next steps to educate ourselves would be. I told him I thought we could probably skip even having another meeting if you want to just give me a call and talk for a few minutes.

Let me know which way you'd rather go....my cell # is 417-793-2450

On 1/3/2022 2:54 PM, Matthew A Barnhart wrote:

Good afternoon Will,

The holidays were great. I am booked all week but I will change things around. Did the Mayor have certain questions he wanted answered?

Matt

From: William L Cline <admin@cartervillemo.com>
Sent: Monday, January 3, 2022 11:41:38 AM
To: Matthew A Barnhart <Matthew.Barnhart@amwater.com>
Subject: Carterville discussion

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Good morning Sir,

I hope the holidays went well for you. I have returned from my vacation week and spoke with the Mayor about a follow-up meeting. He was wandering if you had time around 4pm the next day or two to meet up. We can come to you again or meet wherever you'd like.

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Subject: Re: Carterville discussion
From: William L Cline <admin@cartervillemo.com>
Date: 1/14/2022, 12:00 PM
To: Matthew A Barnhart <Matthew.Barnhart@amwater.com>

The Council appreciates the information and the time you have spent working with the City on this issue. The Council is still working through the best way to move to the next step on continued discussions. As you also know, the City's efforts are more difficult due to the muddied waters caused by the citizen group and fending off false information long enough to have some productive discussions. It's unfortunate, as well, that you have been pulled into the middle of all those involved.

I will relay this information to the Mayor who can then update the Council. I do have a few questions for clarification, to make sure I have not misunderstood prior conversations. As the one stuck in the middle on my end, I want to know that I understood a couple things correctly from our meeting and that I have been informing the Council correctly.

1. There is still a push by the CCFC for the city to have MOAM make a public presentation so everyone can here the benefits. They are still stating that you are waiting for us to set up a meeting and invite you to speak in a open meeting. My understanding from our meeting was that you do not give these presentations at open meetings especially now that we are in discussions. Is that correct?
2. I know even asking for those conservative numbers may have been a little outside the norm and I greatly appreciate them. Is there an estimated best case scenario number you could provide? With that said, what were the next steps to find the best estimate, or an official appraisal the next step. I may have misunderstood but I thought you said there was more local work you would do to determine a closer value prior to the expense of an appraisal.
3. I appreciate the information about the candidates requesting a meeting. I am curious however, does the state president understand that they do not have authority at this time to act on behalf of the City and that those with the authority are in current discussions with MOAM? I am only asking, because the many on the Council have concerns CCFC has already corrupted the usual process and fear CCFC will now begin quoting your president at our council meetings the same way they publicly speak every month with information you have allegedly provided.
4. My last question, if you don't mind me asking...has anyone contacted you in reference to this matter since Tuesday evening this week?

On 1/12/2022 9:13 AM, Matthew A Barnhart wrote:

Good Morning Will,

Missouri American owns sewer collection systems which do not have sewer treatment plants. Missouri American Water Company pays the Sewer Authority's to treat the sewage but own and maintain the sewer collection systems including sewer mains and lift stations. The value of the water system and sewer collection system would be ultimately be valued by State Certified Appraisers. The estimate, I would give from other systems like Carterville would be 1.5 million Water and 1.5 million Sewer. This is a conservative estimate with out knowing the actual assets. The new well that was mentioned would be 100% reimbursable by Missouri American. In full disclosure like you have for me, I wanted to let you know candidates running for election have asked for an informational sit down to discuss Missouri American purchasing Carterville Water and the Sewer Collection system. I just wanted you to be aware. I have asked for an attendance list since they want to meet with our State President.

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From: William L Cline <admin@cartervillemo.com>
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