

MUB MEETING
August 23, 2016
7:30 AM

Meeting called to order by Mark Carstensen, MUB Member. Others present were Shawn Mechling, MUB member; Ken Sabers, MUB President (by phone); Greg Barnier, City Attorney; Fay Bueno, Finance Officer; Daniel Ainslie, City Manager; Rick Bush, Public Works; Roxanne Harley, Resident and Dale Olson, Water Superintendent.

Ken Sabers made a motion to approve today's agenda and the minutes from the last meeting, Shawn Mechling seconded. Approved. Ken Sabers made a motion to approve the claims, Shawn Mechling seconded. Approved.

Customer Roxanne Harley presented concerns about her July and August water bill. The Water Superintendent stated he had checked the meter which was running fast and made a recommendation to reduce the bills for those two months. Ms. Harley stated she had no problem with the June bill because she was watering her garden and yard heavily but in July and August she watered very little. The board agreed that her bill will be figured for 2000 gallons per week for the weeks concerning the July and August bills. She already paid the bills because she did not want a penalty so the Finance Officer will figure the credit on her account.

The Water Superintendent reported that he will attend two meetings today concerning the Main Street project and the Fleet Street project will start tomorrow. There will be an added cost of the Fleet Street project for the sewer and sewer line.

Old Business regarding Well #7 was discussed. The City Engineer did a preliminary look and believed she can design build which will be an expense. The bulk of the cost will be the pump, motor and variable frequency panel and a door to separate the area to keep the computer clean. The bid documents are sent out and will be back before the November meeting and up and running by April 30. There will be pre-qualifications in place for the bidders with built in approval staged by the City Engineer. This change will provide a higher well water output which would satisfy the water rights agreement and the hammering issue. The old motor and pump will be kept for backup.

The new business started with the City Manager presenting the water budget for 2017. The major change was the professional service agreement for the North Tank with a note that this will decrease drastically after four years. There will be new meters and remote requirements for new builds and a conversion of at least 50 residents each year. There may be more conversions if the test rates on the old meters are not correct. There will be \$200,000 taken out for the Main Street project and starting in 2018 large projects will be done on even years.

The revenue for the department varies due to the wet/dry summers but each year there will be a set increase of 3% for the base and water charge. The surcharges in place will not vary.

Ken Sabers made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Shawn Mechling seconded. Mark Carstensen adjourned the meeting.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 27 at 7:30 am in the front conference room.

Ken Sabers, President

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