

MUB MEETING

August 19, 2014

7:00 AM

Meeting called to order by Dan Mayer, MUB Director. Members present were Mark Carstensen, Mayor; Ken Sabers, MUB member by phone; Rick Bush, Public Works Director (arriving at 7:50); Daniel Ainslie, City Manager; Greg Barnier, City Attorney; and Dale Olson, Water Superintendent. Ken Sabers made a motion to approve the agenda, Dan Mayer seconded. Approved. Mark Carstensen made a motion to approve the minutes from last meeting, Dan Mayer seconded. Approved. Dan Mayer made a motion to approve the claims, Mark Carstensen seconded. Approved.

Dale Olson reported the new operator hire is Cody Stalder who is doing well. Due to the fact that Cody was certified before, he is completing the retesting process and should be done by mid-October. Trudi Getz was hired as the part time meter reader. Also, Mountain View Trailer Court has several leaks in their private water system resulting in use of millions of gallons of unnecessary water waste. Although the owner of the trailer park pays the bill monthly, Dale will continue to work with him to reduce water usage.

Old business concerning the USGS geological study was discussed. It was decided that once there is broad participation with all cities concerned, then the MUB will be interested. A request was made by the Board to change the new meeting time of the second Tuesday of every month at 7 am approved last month on the City website.

Dale Olson presented the 2015 budget. There is a large decrease in salary due to the recent reorganizing of departments even with there being 27 pay periods next year instead of the usual 26. Repairs to equipment, utilities, as well as insurance line items were increased in anticipation of increased costs. Discussion was held on ways to decrease cost of billing which included one month shut off period instead of the current two months, e-billing, and putting the water accounts in the land owners name. Nothing was decided but more discussion will ensue at the next meeting. Dan Mayer made a motion to approve the 2015 Budget, Ken Sabers seconded. Approved.

In other business, Rick reported that the Davenport project is close to done and slightly over budget due to rock excavation. The Phase 1 and 2 water project pay completion is currently being coordinated between the City Finance Office, the State of South Dakota and Rural Development.

Mark Carstensen made a motion to adjourn, Dan Mayer seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned by Dan Mayer. Next Meeting will be Tuesday, September 9th at 7:00 am. The agenda for that meeting will provide for Customer concerns at 7:30 a.m.

Dan Mayer, President

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