

RUSHVILLE CITY UTILITIES
601 W 3RD St.
Rushville, IN 46173

Minutes of the Utility Board Meeting, September 21, 2016
The Utility Board met at the Utility Business Office

Brian Bess called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present:

Brian Bess
Greg Coffin
Michael Singleton
Dale Gardner
Phil Starkey

Others present:

Les Day	Facility Manager
Gina Jenkins	Office Manager
Mike Pavey	Mayor
Geoff Wesling	Utilities Attorney

Butch Singleton motioned to approve the minutes from the August 30, 2016 meeting. Phil Starkey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Les Day reviewed the Utility report for the month of August. The Water Operating report did not show N.P.D.E.S. violations for the month. There were 30.13 million gallons of water pumped, with 28.68 million gallons of water treated. Water plant personnel responded to 14 service calls for billings and customer requests. There were 16 customer requests to check for leaks. There were 10 line locates. There were 56 connects and 53 disconnects for the month, with the total customers being 2,776.

The Operating Report for Wastewater showed no N.P.D.E.S. violations for the month. There were 47.01 million gallons of wastewater treated, for the month. It was reported that there was a total 7.28 inches of precipitation for the month.

There were 2 sewer complaints checked. There were 1,500 feet of sewer mains cleaned from sewer complaints.

Les also told the Board members that windows have been replaced at the WWT Plant. And that preventive maintenance on several areas continues to be done.

Gina Jenkins told everyone that Jennifer Wilson with Crowe-Horwath had come in on September 7, 2016 to collect more information for the rate study.

Les addressed the issue of the raw sludge transfer pump at the Wastewater plant. The pump that was originally installed in 1973 was still being utilized until it recently ceased to function. Due to the emergency nature of the situation, the pump had to be replaced immediately.

Next on the agenda were the 2017 Water and Wastewater budgets. Les said that there will be a 2% increase for wages, but there was also a significant drop in wages due to Leroy Frazier and Dennis Shook leaving. Due to both their years of service, their wages were higher than the new employees' wages that replaced them. Also, he estimated a 3% increase for health insurance next year.

Brian Bess asked for a motion to approve the Water budget. Butch Singleton motioned to approve the budget. Phil Starkey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Brian then asked for a motion to approve the Wastewater budget. Greg Coffin motioned to approve the budget. Butch Singleton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Les told everyone that he would like to discontinue using Aramark to supply the employees' uniforms and office mats. Aramark continues to increase their prices even though City Utilities has a contract for pricing with them. Geoff Wesling, Utilities Attorney, looked over the contract and told Les that he would need to write a letter to Aramark to cancel the contract. After a discussion for replacing the uniforms, Les was asked to get pricing on purchasing new uniforms from different companies.

Greg Coffin checked the claims for the month. Phil Starkey motioned to approve the claims. Butch Singleton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Butch Singleton motioned to adjourn. Greg Coffin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 5 p.m. at the City Utilities Business office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.