

# WATER/WASTEWATER COMMITTEE MEETING

January 17, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Alderperson Walden at City Hall.

Water Committee members present were Alderpersons Donny Walden, Kandy Smith and Sue Burgess. Also present was Mayor Derek Page, Water Supt Jack Duncan, Treasurer Angel Palmer and City Clerk Janet Waller.

Present in the audience was Mark Bingham from Chastain and Associates, Felicia King, Tom Dooley, Alan Wempen and John Holthaus.

Alderperson Burgess made a **motion to approve the minutes of November 15, 2022 Water/Wastewater Committee meeting minutes**, seconded by Alderperson Smith. Motion carried with Alderperson Burgess and Smith voting aye and 0 nays.

## **Under Old Business:**

The service bed has not been sold yet and Mayor Page will discuss with City Attorney.

## **Under New Business:**

A GSI Manager attended the meeting to discuss the City has had no progress on cleaning out the retention pond and they have decided to rent a track hoe for \$4,800.00 along with shipping of \$2,000.00 to do it themselves. GSI would like the City to reimburse or pay part of the equipment rental. The spoil will be placed around the sides and GSI requested the City haul away the spoil. GSI has scheduled to start the clean up on January 23, 2023. Committee agreed to place on the February agenda.

The Sanitary Sewer Phase 1 account continues to be balanced to zero. Mark Bingham from Chastain and Associates has been working on the detail. The account should be zero before Sanitary Sewer Phase 2 check gets deposited.

Mark Bingham announced he is leaving Chastain and Associates for personal reasons and this is his last week with them.

The Leafland Lift Station was discussed and a high pressure gas main is located 5 feet in the ground near it. There will need to be a road closure at Leafland and College for approximately 1 to 2 weeks when work begins at the Leafland Lift Station. Petersburg is responsible for coordinating with the county the road closure.

The Laroche Project is 98% closed out. Engineering invoices are being submitted.

A new invoice will be coming for Well 10 as the work has been completed.

Mark Bingham gave an overview of his cost estimate for engineering for the potential "Grow Assumption." The committee discussed a decision will need to be made on whether to amend

the current TIF or start a new TIF. There will need to be decisions made if the City wishes to move forward on "Grow Assumption."

331 W Third Street was discussed addressing a drainage issue.

The abandoned buildings on West First Street has sold and the new owner has plans to put in a new business. There is currently no water service there as they were removed when the lead service line work was done and the building was abandoned. The Water Supt explained the City is liable to reestablish the service line and the first option is to put it out front. A contractor will need to be hired for installation of the water line and also a contractor for the concrete to replace the sidewalk. The other option is there is a 4 foot easement on the back of the building but the neighbor owns driveway there.

**Public Comments:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.  
Janet Waller, City Clerk