

Attendees: MacKenzie Taylor, Dean Smith, Jim Winkler, Avery Ferguson, Larry Randolph, Ray Rodriguez, Vernon Miller, Robert Roa, Haley Hurst, Matt King, John Veenstra.

Dean made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from September 27, 2023. Jim seconded the motion. Upon voice vote the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**Water:** Avery said he received the other scale he ordered and installed it today.

Jessica isn't here, she's on vacation. So, she discovered on our shut off customers, they're account was still totaling. After talking to Keystone, they told her how she could fix this. The account should go on hold when a customer is shut off. I know she sent a message last week stating how much would need to be adjusted off of those accounts that are shut off. They should be fixed now.

Avery told the council we should take a look at our delinquency ordinance and maybe try to figure out if we should do an increasing fee for every month they are shut off/don't pay. Just a suggestion.

Avery told the council there are a couple of residents that are just on a well, but they have sewer with us. We obviously cannot shut them off, so we need to try and figure something out to get them to pay. Someone suggested apply it to their taxes, put a lien on the sewer? Jim said, that's an option. John Veenstra suggested contacting someone from Middlebury, at one point in time they were dealing with the same issue.

Dean asked Avery, how is water testing going? Avery replied water is going well. Tina is back to performing both test though now. I'll keep myself refreshed by doing it once or twice a month. I'm still trying to cut down on my comp time.

**Wastewater:** I told you about the nasty letter from IDEM. Stouder is still working on it and they will get it sent out when it's ready.

Avery told the council he is working on redoing the quality assurance test. It needs to be completed by November  $9^{th}$ .

Avery explained to the council he is having trouble with the incubator and getting parts for it. Really, it's only the fans that need to be replaced. The parts should be just under \$500.00. Dean asked, is this thing on its last leg? Avery replied that he believes this will be an easy fix and this

is the main issue with it. Jim and Dean gave Avery permission to buy the parts needed to fix the incubator.

Avery told the council he'll stop treating chlorine by the end of the month.

Avery is looking at different pieces for testing equipment. The cheaper/less complex model is the one that Tina prefers. Personally, I would lean towards the more expensive unit because it would cut down on time. But since Tina does the testing, I want her to be comfortable with whatever we get. Dean encouraged Avery to get a quote for what he thinks is the more expensive unit.

Lastly, Avery told the council he'll need to get a point of contact for someone to do land applications. Jim asked, didn't Dean Rink do all of that for us? Avery said, yes as far as I know. So, I will try to touch base with him.

**Community Development:** MacKenzie asked if any of the council or anyone in the meeting had any feedback about the Action Agenda? I need to let Shannon Oaks know by the 16<sup>th</sup>. Jim said, the only one I was concerned about was the dog park. I know I'll be off the board soon but that was all I had; I am not in favor of one. We can hardly get residents to pick up their dogs' mess in the park.

Avery said, I know a tree lining was discussed at the RDC meeting. I found State qualifications for this and it needs to be over 200 feet away from the well field. I measured and it was 205 feet... It's too close of a call and way to risky. So, we will not be doing the tree lining in the area the RDC suggested.

Haley asked MacKenzie if she has received any feedback from the survey that was in the newsletter. MacKenzie said no, she will need to reach out to Chris and Crystal in regard to this.

**Maintenance:** Jim said, I know the speed bump will be taken up soon.

**Marshal:** Ray asked, can this wait until the end of the month? Reason being, there are still games going on in Cook Station Park. Vernon said, according to my schedule there are still three Saturday's left for football.

Robert said, I am going to reach out to Kenny Jones and ask him to mass text all of the parents of the children that participate in sports up there. They need to slow down. I think 25mph is way too fast. Can we adjust it to 20mph? Jim said, this is just my opinion but I don't think we should. We need to be writing more tickets and not giving so many warnings. I think by writing more tickets it will get peoples' attention to slow down. Larry said, I agree with Jim. Robert said, I monitor when the parents leave these games. I would rather give someone a ticket for going

26 in a 20 rather than going 26 in a 25, but that's my opinion. Robert said, I have not witnessed anyone going over 10mph the speed limit on that road.

Park: The grass is growing and I'll probably start mowing next week.

Vernon said, Fairfield gave us their old score board. This thing is massive! The score board will go on diamond three. So, I will work on getting that up. Once it's posted, it'd be nice to get another remote to use the board and what not, but we don't have to worry about that for this year.

Vernon said, he has also been working on painting the pavilion near the ball diamonds.

**Clerk Treasurer:** Bank reconciliation is complete for the month of August. Suzy Bass has looked over it and signed off on this. The council did as well.

I want to let you know, I've been contacted by County it is for the US Federal and State NENA Nextgen 911 system. We have a few addresses that are not recognized in the system/they are considered illegal addresses and they want to formerly recognize Aloha as something different and Maple Street apartments. We've got the suggested addresses for those and these are fine to use. Aloha is privately owned, so Sheldon is aware. Jim Shallenbarger is also aware and gave the suggested home addresses for his apartments. Jim Shallenbarger does want each apartment unit to be individually metered, but that is something Avery will have to work out with him.

The last one is the Wastewater Drive... They need that address changed as well. Matt explained how it's an easement. Arrow or Amity is the one that owns the roads and complex back there. Dean asked MacKenzie if she could e-mail Craig and see what can be done about this.

Dean made a motion to pay bills. Jim seconded the motion. Upon voice vote it was unanimously approved to pay bills.

Dean made a motion to adjourn. Jim seconded the motion. Upon voice vote it was unanimously approved to adjourn.