

## HEALTH, SANITATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

MARCH 24, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Todd Grayson. Committee members present were Todd Grayson, Tim McCarthy and Rick Rettig. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator and Alice Godsey, Director of Public Utilities.

### APPOINTMENT TO LITTER CONTROL BOARD – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Stephanie Ravas was present to be considered for appointment as a student representative to the Litter Control Board. Judy Hagen said that Ms. Ravas has been at a few meetings and has come up with several good ideas. The Committee thanked Ms. Ravas for her willingness to serve and complimented her on her application for the position. They agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of her appointment.

### CITIZENS' CONCERNS – RADIO READ METER CONVERSION

Diane Bishop, 231 W. Seventh St., and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Briggs, 972 Mulberry St., were present to object to the installation of the water meters with radio read remotes and the recent ordinance that was approved instituting a charge for those homeowners that keep the manual read remotes. Mr. Grayson stated that once we get a definitive number of the homeowners who object to the installation of the RF remotes, a route to read those meters will be established, and the cost to manually read the meters will be calculated. He said that the charge will be whatever it costs the City to read those meters. Ms. Bishop asked why she can't just take a picture of her meter and text it to the Billing Office. She also asked if the \$50 per quarter charge will be refunded. Ms. Kabat said that the Administration does not have the authority to do that. Mr. Grayson said that Ms. Bishop would have to go through the appeals process.

### UPDATE ON RAW WASTEWATER PUMP STATION AT WWTP

Ms. Godsey reported that it became operational in early October, 2014. According to the Treatment Plant, there have been bypasses due to wet weather at the Treatment Plant, but no CSO's from the collection system since that time.

### SEWER BILL ADJUSTMENT

Ms. Godsey asked for approval of a sewer credit for Stephen and Julie Taylor, 4 Maple Street, in the amount of \$2,778.62. A hose to an outside waterfall with a leak was left on from June, 2014 to December, 2014. The leak has been repaired and the Department of Public Utilities verified that the consumption did not discharge into the sanitary sewer. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the credit.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Todd Grayson, Chairman  
HSPU Committee

***Next meeting: Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.***