



Bryant Water and Wastewater Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday July 28, 2015
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: Boswell Municipal Complex Conference Room

Members Present: Wade Boone, Robert Griffin, Kathy Barber, Alan Kays, Mike Chandler, Jason Patterson, Jack Moseley

Members Absent: Linda Levart, Madison McEntire

Staff Present: Monty Ledbetter, Howard Hoover, Russell Kitchens, Joy Black, Buddy Fowler

Others Present: Jill Dabbs, Mayor

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wade Boone

March Minutes: Motion to Approve May Minutes as Presented: Jack Moseley
Motion Seconded: Robert Griffin
Motion carried with all aye votes

Financials: The latest Financial Report was provided to the Committee. Joy Black was available to answer questions.
Motion to Approve Financials: Kathy Barber
Motion Seconded: Robert Griffin
Motion carried with all aye votes

Side Discussion Included in the Committee packets was a quarterly report. One item was particularly discussed in relation to the Financial Statement. There is a difference in the amount of water Bryant purchases from Central Arkansas Water and the amount we actually bill. Over the course of a year the cost is significant. Monty explained that some of the water goes to fire protection, flushing fire hydrants, the sewer treatment process and unknown system leaks that don't always show on the surface. Such leaks may drain into a creek or pond without notice. Some just don't reach the surface. Monty is seeking support from the Committee to install an Intelligent Leak Detection System that works with the Mueller technology we have in place. The technology, which "listens" to the water lines and can detect possible leaks to within 3 feet, attaches to fire hydrants and transmits data to the same system that our water meter technology uses. We may start out with a leak study to access how effective the technology is. Monty plans to budget funds for that project for 2016. *If it works well the savings on the cost of lost water will more than pay for the technology.*

Citizen's Concerns: Billing Adjustments

Customer Service made seven adjustments under the \$100 threshold. There were six requests that exceeded \$100. All of those requesting adjustments provided proper documentation.

Motion to Approve Billing Adjustments: Kathy Barber
Motion Seconded: Robert Griffin
Motion carried with all aye votes

New Business: Annual Rate Review

The annual rate review required by the City's rate ordinances is due for delivery to the City Council by the end of August. Howard and Joy are currently engaged in the process. Even though 2015 to date has been very wet and water revenues are down, the rates appear to be supporting the expenses of both systems. The number of sewer connections had gone up, partly because of the discovery of Salem water customers who were on our sewer but not shown in our system because Salem had always billed them and because of new construction.

Old Business: Swimming Pool Ordinance -

Included in the Committee packet was a copy of the Swimming Pool Ordinance that the Committee recommended to City Council in 2014. When it was originally placed on the Agenda it was in the middle of Council budget considerations for the 2015 budget. Somehow the ordinance got lost and forgotten. It will be introduced at the July 28, 2015 City Council Meeting.

Reports: Projects

- A. 16" Force Main - All right-of-ways have been acquired. Contracts are ready for the Mayor's signature. The contract construction time is 240 days.

Water Distribution

- A. The Holiday Inn is under construction. Ray Lusk Plumbing is making the connection to the Bryant water and sewer systems. The Hunter’s Crossing and Oak Glen subdivisions are complete. All lines have passed testing and are approved. The Everett GMC water lines were tested and approved.
- B. In the second quarter distribution crews repaired 6 main leaks, 5 fire hydrant repairs, 18 service line locates for new construction, and they did 240 leak checks for customers and 25 pressure checks. Crews changed out 15 meter boxes and did 1500 OneCall locates.
- C. BacT Analysis Reports - all BacT sampling results for the year have passed the ADH laboratory testing. No violations.

Wastewater Collection

- A. In the second quarter collection crews completed 157 work orders. Despite the 23+ inches of rain in Bryant, the number of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) for the year is six less than the same period in 2014. Crews performed the quarterly grease trap inspection on 96 businesses. Only one was out of compliance.

Comments: No Comments

Adjourn	Motion to Adjourn:	Robert Griffin
	Motion Seconded:	Kathy Barber
	Motion carried with all aye votes	

Wade Boone
Chairperson

Howard Hoover
Administrative Operations Coordinator