

August 31, 2011

Joint Town Board/Sanitary District #1 & #2

Call meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Randy Leiker, Andy Peters, Tom Becher. Dean Culbertson was excused.

Review and possible approval mailbox replacement policy.

This is refining what we already have. Any claims have to be done within 24 hours and not a week or two later. All repairable boxes will not be replaced if it is still workable.

Andy Peters made a motion to approve the changes to the policy. Tom Becher seconded the motion and it was carried.

Policy on excusing employees for fire calls.

We do not have a policy at this time. Should they go unpaid or use vacation for the time off? They cannot make the time up. Tom Becher feels the local fireman should come to the station to see what is going on if he is close by or on a job where he can get away. Andy Peters felt we should try this on a trial period to see what happens. Out of Town firemen should go without pay or use vacation time. The local employee should not take money for fire call because they are paid by the Town. Dean Schiller will keep the Board advised as to how it is working.

Seasonal winter maintenance laborer job description.

An ad will be put in the newsletter. This would be during the winter months and related to the operation of snow removal of the Town's road and grounds. This will be as needed and with no benefits. One person would be for lots and grounds and the other one would be for a truck. They must have experience and a CDL license. Double time would be paid on holidays. Starting pay will be \$15 -\$20 per hour. This will be for a trial period.

Review and possible approval brush pickup policy.

This is revising what we already have to better regulate it. Brush should not be put out any earlier than 72 hours unless there is a major storm. Residents will be called for anything over 30 minutes on the same day it is picked up so they are aware of the charge before a bill comes.

Truck route on North Road between Hwy 15 and CTH JJ.

Trucks would like to use North Road for hauling gravel. It will be just when crews are working on the section by North Road. It will probably be just a couple of days. The Board is fine with it as long as it is temporary.

Possible purchase of Community Viz software.

It helps with area planning and can show things in 3-D. It is \$375.00. It can be used with GIS. Dean was given the OK to purchase the software.

Parkview Drive landscaping.

Dave Tebo stated they have been getting a lot of calls. Some residents took better care of the new lawn as instructed and it is nice now. Better seed should have been used. We will wait to hear from our independent consultant to find out what he thinks and then develop a strategy to resolve this issue.

Address sign installation update/questions.

The signs are coming in early September. We have had applicants to install them.

Discuss strategy for filter repair at well #3 and possible Tower lowering.

The filter tank is leaking. It is leaking at the very bottom. It could be hard to find the actual leak. The filter is about 20' in diameter with four cells inside.

One option is to fill the shell bottom with concrete. The concrete could crack or shrink. We could do all this fixing and it may not address the leak at all. This is \$140,000.

2nd option is to replace the shell bottom and the lower section of the wall. That option is \$175,000. We may not seal the leak because we do not know for sure where the leak is.

3rd option – iron filter replacement with same model filter. This would be a guaranteed, long term solution. This cost is \$795,100. This could lead to the same corrosion issues the existing shell is replacing. If it is constructed out of aluminum, this would eliminate the corrosion issues but increases the price by 120,000.

4th option - Replace iron filter with a rectangular, horizontal style filter. This will require a building addition. The whole filter would be accessible. This option is \$715,200.

Other communities must have the same problems. Don Schinke will call Tonka to see who else has this type of filter and make some phone calls to see if they had problems and what they did to correct it.

Adjourn meeting.

Andy Peters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Becher seconded the motion and it was carried and adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Deborah Wagner,
Town Clerk