



GATE CITY SANITATION AUTHORITY MINUTES
NOVEMBER 14, 2012
156 E. JACKSON ST.
6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Roger Cassell, Chairman/Council Member called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL – Town Clerk Kathy Riley

PRESENT: Chairman/Council Member, Roger Cassell
Vice-Chair, Daris Hartsock
Board Member, Jim Craft
Board Member, Dewey Breeding
Board Member, Rodney Baker

Others present: Town Manager, J. Keller, Town Attorney, M. Brooks, Mike Thomas

III. PROCLAMATIONS, CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS, AWARDS, APPOINTMENTS, RESIGNATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS, ADMINISTRATIONS OF OATHS ON INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS.

• **Mike Thomas of Humphreys Enterprises – Discusses:**

- Receipt of Town Manager's, J. Keller, letter regarding installation and sewer tap at the quarry pond location and thought all was okay after his discussion with Mayor Mark Jenkins who was also acting Town Manager.

Town Manager, J. Keller advises Sanitation Authority of his receipt of requested information regarding specifications of work performed along copies required permits from Mike Thomas.

Chairman/Council Member, R. Cassell – Expressed his concern of not having a Town employee present while the work was performed. He informs Mr. Thomas the reason for the Sanitation Authority's request for information was it being a precautionary measure to ensure the work was done right to avoid problems in the future.

Mike Thomas – Apologized for the misunderstanding.

Motion made to accept the provided documentation and certification by Humphries engineers of the work performed, consider the matter resolved and to waive the sewer tap fee.

Motion by: Board Member, R. Baker 2nd by: Board Member, J. Craft

VOTE: Yeas, 5
Nays, 0
Absent, 0

Abstain, 0

IV. CONSENT ADGENDA

Motion made to amend the agenda to discuss the Gate City sewer meter under New Business.

Motion by: Board Member, R. Baker 2nd by: Board Member, J. Craft

VOTE: Yeas, 5
Nays, 0
Absent, 0
Abstain, 0

• **Approval of Bills.**

Motion made to approve payment of bills for October, 2012.

Motion by: Board Member, D. Hartsock 2nd by: Board Member, D. Breeding

VOTE: Yeas, 5
Nays, 0
Absent, 0
Abstain, 0

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• **Approval of Minutes.**

Motion made to approve minutes of the Sanitation Authority meeting minutes from October 10, 2012 and Public Hearing on October 10, 2012.

Motion by: Board Member, D. Breeding 2nd by: Board Member, J. Craft

VOTE: Yeas, 5
Nays, 0
Absent, 0
Abstain, 0

V. COMMUNICATIONS - None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Chairman/Council Member, R. Cassell – Discusses:

- Heavy rains in July with flow of 61.39% and receipt of the September bill with a higher flow at 71.9% at \$34,000.

- Chris and Dan Danko, PSA, spoke with Mr. Danko informing Chris a transducer was replaced at the plant with 2 ½ inches of rain with ½ inch rain the next day. **Board Member, D. Hartsock**, explains what a transducer is and what it does with the flow meter.
- Told Chris to hold payment of the bill, made two calls to Mr. Danko for explanation, left him messages with no returns calls and email to Melinda the bill was re-averaged and adjusted the bill to about 61%, roughly.
- Explains spreadsheet done by Chris for July, August and September with readings taken from Loretta from our meter, PSA reading with Jeremy subtracting the differences. Reading for July from the Town of Gate City was 52.34% and from PSA was 61.39% a difference of 2,034,067 gallons difference. Reading for August from PSA was 63.65% and from the Town 55.18% a difference of 1,201,222 gallons difference. Almost a 10% difference each month. Reading for September was PSA 71.9% and Town's of 58.65% a difference of 1,555,245 gallons. A 8-10% difference between our meter and their meter.

Town Attorney, M. Brooks – Asks if the meter has been calibrated with **Chairman/Council Member, R. Cassell** replying not since it has been installed and suggests it is time to have it done.

Board Member, D. Hartsock – Asks if it was calibrated when it was installed with **Chairman/Council Member, R. Cassell** informing him Stoney installed in with no calibration performed other than what was done at the factory.

Board Member, D. Hartsock – Asks if we know what kind of sensor PSA's meter has and explains different types of sensors that could be used and how they work to determine the flow.

Town Attorney, M. Brooks – Asks if it would matter where it is measured.

Board Member, D. Hartsock - States if they have some other flow coming in after our meter and before their meter that would matter. We know our meter is the total flow of just Gate City.

Board Member, J. Craft – States the only way to resolve this is to get the meter calibrated by the manufacturer.

Chairman/Council Member, R. Cassell – Suggests have D. Danko attend the next meeting or have Jeremy meet with him.

Motion made to authorize Town Manager, J. Keller, to take steps to have our sewer meter calibrated.

Motion by: Board Member, R. Baker 2nd by: Board Member, J. Craft

VOTE: Yeas,	5
Nays,	0
Absent,	0
Abstain,	0

Motion made to pay the adjusted September bill to PSA as submitted.

Motion by: Board Member, R. Baker 2nd by: Board Member, D. Breeding

VOTE: Yeas,	5
Nays,	0
Absent,	0
Abstain,	0

Chairman/Council Member, R. Cassell – Suggests to have Jeremy report back next month, to have the meter calibrated as soon as we can and to add his findings of the meeting with D. Danko to next month’s agenda.

Town Manager, J. Keller – Informs Sanitation Board he will get all information regarding the meter that was purchased for the Town.

Chairman/Council Member, R. Cassell – Asks Town Manager about the status of the Dump Truck with Town Manager replying he will pick-up Friday, get it inspected and have H&J signs do decals for the doors.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS – None

X. ADJOURN

Motion made for Board to adjourn to next regularly scheduled Sanitation Meeting on December 12, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by: Board Member, J. Craft 2nd by: Board Member, D. Breeding

VOTE:	Yeas,	5
	Nays,	0
	Absent,	0
	Abstain,	0

Chairman/Council Member, Roger Cassell, adjourned the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

Roger Cassell – Chairman/Council Member

Town Clerk – Kathy Riley