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Water Wastewater Committee Meeting

Tuesday July 25, 2023

Attendees: Kaleb Wright, Larry Brooks, Eric Blake, Mike Swick, Josh Kuhl, Matt Tarr, Maggie McDonald, Melissa Brooks, Mark Hartrich, Tyler Weber, Brent Benefiel.

Meeting began at 1:02pm

Water

1. Saint Thomas Lease agreement negotiation
 - a. Saint Thomas was looking to raise our annual well fee from \$750 to \$1000 as well as raise their allotted water to 500,000gal. The Committee found the annual well fee reasonable and moved to send it to council. Saint Thomas had not reached their previously agreed upon 350,000gal so an agreement was made to allow Saint Thomas to come back to the committee and re-negotiate their allotted water any time during this 5 year period.
2. South Van Buren Upgrade using TIF Discussion.
 - a. The upgrade would be from the south railroad tracks to Pennington Ford, this would move the water main from under Van Buren/IL 130 to under the western side walk. The committee asked that Tyler get a complete quote on then entire project start to finish and present it to the committee at a later date.
- 3.

WasteWater

1. Brent gave an update on the 2009 Ram Jetter Truck that the council had approved the rental of. He said it did everything the city needs and is much more convenient and reliable than our older model.
2. Brent gave an update on the project to repair the airline under the sewer plant parking, he informed us of a possible grant he and Shannon will be going after to help with the cost of this project.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:56pm