

WATER BOARD MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Oliver Springs Water Board was called to order on January 2, 2014 at 6:35 p.m. by Chairman Chris Hepler. All were present except Gary Stinnett, who had an excused absence.

Motion by Walker and second by Craze to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. All voted aye.

COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER TREECE:

A. The 2013 CDBG Water Loss Grant is projected to be completed by the end of January 2014. As of this date, a few sections remain to be completed and cleaned up including yards and driveways.

B. The Sewer Division of Little John Engineering has proposed to smoke test and GPS approximately 40,000 feet of sewer line for the cost of about ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), and enter the GPS data as to the I & I sewer work in a database, with the location of the manholes and sewer lines and related infrastructure. The company has written a software program that can be downloaded onto two Ipads for an annual subscription of nine hundred dollars (\$900.00) per year that will give the location, history, repair work, before and after pictures, and other data as to the sewer lines. This permanently recorded sewer line and infrastructure database would be extremely important to the Town as it would be a permanent "memory" for the Town and could be used to provide proof to TDEC that the Town working seriously and aggressively as to the I & I issues. Mrs. Treece requested that the Water Board members look over this price quote wherein it may be discussed, and perhaps voted on, at the next Water Board meeting.

C. The Water and Sewer Departments worked together to repair a twenty foot long break in the water line on the Marlow Extension.

D. I & I crew has been working to correct issues within the sewer system including but limited to:

1. Lifting and repairing a manhole in field leased by Kenneth Jett
2. Two repairs on Wagner Court
3. Repair work at 519 Hen Valley
4. Repair work at 518 Norwood Road
5. Repair work at 521 Norwood Road
6. Sewer service at Ronnie Crass property
7. The pulling of several pumps at lift station one and two resulting from the pumps being overloaded or bound up due to sewer line liner that was installed several years ago, but is now coming loose, flowing through the pipes, and binding the impellers of the lift station pumps. This sewer line liner is an "Insechaform" that was manufactured years ago and is a high strength liner that is shredding and coming apart, and flowing through the sewer lines, but does not break down or break apart as it enters into the sewer pump impellers. This pulling of the sewer pumps is necessary in order to prevent the sewer pumps from being burned out and having to be replaced at about twenty thousand dollars per pump. Mrs. Treece demonstrated a strip of Insechaform sewer line liner that was approximately three feet long and one and one half inches wide, that had been removed from the sewer line system.

E. TDOT just today has approved the water line repair work (under West Tri County Boulevard), and this project will require both the sewer crew and street crew. TDOT had to approve the cut in State Route 61.

COMMENTS FROM WATER BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Cox asked and Mayor Hepler advised that the computer data on former Mayor Ed Kelly's computer, essentially entered by the then police officer Kenny Humphreys, was still available, and could be accessed by a computer literate operator.

Mr. Cox asked and Mrs. Treece advised that the several water leaks were being evaluated and would be repaired as soon as possible. Hopefully with these repairs, the water line loss will be substantially reduced.

Mr. Cox asked and Mrs. Treece advised that the twenty inch long leak on the waterline on Marlow Road was on a ten inch waterline and has now been fixed.

Mr. Holland asked and Mrs. Treece advised that the TDOT approval received today was for that portion of Tri County Boulevard on the West end of Town as Tri County Boulevard reduced from four lanes to two lanes. The water leak is actually under Tri County Boulevard and will be a substantial job to repair.

Mr. Holland asked and Mrs. Treece advised that the CDBG grant that is essentially nearly complete is a five hundred thousand dollar grant with the work being performed by C.R. Barger & Sons, Inc.

Mr. Holland asked and Mrs. Treece advised that as to the Insechaform strip of the sewer line liner, there is no real way to fix this. The Water Department Employees have to monitor the sewer pumps closely to prevent sewer pump destruction, and replacement at about twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) per pump. The manufacturer is now out of business, and there is no recourse against the manufacturer.

COMMENTS FROM WATER AND SEWER CUSTOMERS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

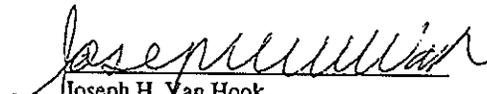
None.

NEW BUSINESS:

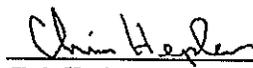
None.

With no further business to come before the Water Board, upon motion duly made and seconded and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joseph H. Van Hook
Water Board Secretary

APPROVED:


Chris Hepler
Water Board Chairman

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