

COMMITTEE MEETINGS
TUESDAY APRIL 1, 2014 6:30 PM

WATER & SEWER:
WORK ON WATER FORGIVENESS POLICY
FIANANCE:
BUDGET

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Trustee Karker, Water & Sewer Committee Member due to the absence of Chairman Tibbs. Present: Karker, Smith, Blackstock, Nolan and Coon. Also present was President Worlow, Water Superintendent Albers and Clerk Coon.

Meeting agenda was posted more than forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting on the outside and inside bulletin boards at Village Hall and is attached to and made part of the minutes.

Water & Sewer:

Karker explained that the two existing water forgiveness policies are printed for comparison. Blackstock asked if both existing policies could be shredded and the board allow citizens to come to a meeting with any problems pertaining to payment of high water bills. K. Albers presented a possible water adjustment policy that he had worked out for consideration by the committee. Said policy was reviewed and considered for use as a "guideline" for when citizens bring problems to the board for resolution. Citizen B. Blackstock was recognized and voiced his concerns regarding giving water forgiveness to citizens which would cause all other citizens to "pay" for such a relief.

There was general discussion pertaining to various concerns regarding putting a policy of any fashion in writing and about the community finding out about any said policy and potentially abusing the same. The committee discussed potentially allowing citizens to enter into payment arrangements with payment terms to be set.

The differences between outside and inside leaks were discussed as well as the differences between a policy and guidelines. The board was then polled for opinions for a guideline or policy.

The proposed policy turned in by K. Albers was reviewed and revised to reach a final recommendation.

Recommendation: Adopt the water forgiveness guideline as written and revised.

Finance:

Nolan explained that there is a possibility that there is a \$50,000.00 loss in the budget. Blackstock explained a possible explanation that had been found in some of the reports provided by Treasurer Shelley. Therefore, Treasurer Shelley would be talked with again and more exact number would be sought before final numbers were tallied.

-Karker asked for everyone in attendance to consider snow removal for a future meeting topic.

-Clerk Coon updated on the quit claim deed for the land to the West of Casey's. Clerk Coon was instructed to place this property on the April 2014 agenda for reconsideration for sale.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.