



CITY OF MERRILL

WATER & SEWAGE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES • WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29, 2017

Regular Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

5:00 PM

I. Call to Order

Alderman Norton called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Kandy Peterson	Aldersperson - Fourth District	Present	
John Burgener	Aldersperson - Fifth District & President	Present	
Rob Norton	Aldersperson - Seventh District	Present	

Also in attendance: Utility Operations Manager Gabe Steinagel, Public Works Director/City Engineer Rod Akey, Mayor Bill Bialecki and City Clerk Bill Heideman.

II. Preliminary Items

1. September & October Vouchers

Motion (Peterson/Burgener) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

III. Agenda items for consideration

1. Consider 3.0% Adjustment to Water & Sewer Service Fees for 2018

Information was in the meeting packet.

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel clarified that these increases are not an increase to utility rates, but rather an increase to various service fees. This is typically done annually. All increases are approximately 3%.

RESULT: APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL **Next: 12/12/2017 7:00 PM**

2. Consider request from Nancy Arndorfer at 603 Scott St to refund the \$35.00 turn on fee

Mayor Bialecki reported that he had received a phone call from Nancy Arndorfer requesting this refund. As part of that phone call, she reported that she was out of the country for an extended period of time and therefore did not read the shutoff notice sent to her.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Akey requested that the minutes include language stating that, in the event of a future shutoff for this resident, a turn-on fee waiver will not be considered.

Motion (Norton/Burgener) to approve the refund.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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3. Operations Report

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel reviewed the report.

A new sleeve at Well #3 will cost approximately \$25,000, but it is anticipated that it will add 20 years to the life of the well.

Repairs to the digester are necessary. At this time, the extent of the repairs needed is still being determined.

IV. Public Comment Period

Mayor Bialecki commented that Utility Operations Manager Steinagel and Public Works Director/City Engineer Akey are doing an outstanding job at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

V. Establish date, time and location of next meeting

To be announced.

VI. Adjournment

Motion (Peterson/Burgener) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 5:10 P.M.