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Minutes Water and Sewer Commission 11 March 2014

An audio recording of the meeting is also available on the city website.

(1) Call to Order

Chairman Pecsí called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Pecsí.

(3) Roll Call

Commissioners Present:

Cross, Martin, Bhakta, Mathieu and Pecsí

Commissioners Absent:

None

Others Present:

David Grah, Public Works Director
Deston Dishion, Public Works Superintendent
Michele Thomas, Public Works Secretary

(4) Public Comment

None

(5) Approval of the Minutes

Vice Chairman Cross moved to approve the minutes of the 14 January 2014 meeting as written and motion carried.

(6) Correspondence

A supplemental letter to the Lion's Club regarding relief for the Boy Scout's water sewer bill.

A memo from the city's finance director regarding a Worker's Comp question brought up at the January meeting.

(7) Efficient Irrigation Presentation

Earl Henderson of Henderson Landscape and Hydroseed out of Mammoth Lakes shared information about irrigation rules, guidelines, practices, and technology.

(8) Elections

Pecsi will serve another one year term as Chairman and Cross will serve another one year term as Vice-Chairman.

(9) Rate Study

Grah explained the upcoming steps with implementing the new fees from the 2013 Rate Study.

(10) Meter Readings

Discussion on recent meter readings within city limits. The commission approved for the water fund to pay for a smart meter and smart irrigation timer when the new multi-use field is put in at the City Park. Meters are for informational purposes only.

(11) Cash balances and revenue and expenditures update

Discuss took place on the water and sewer monthly balances including capital expenditures. Martin asked about the cost of the rate study for both consultants.

** The total expenditure for the 2013 Rate Study for both consultants came to \$40,825.26; Willdan \$16,863.00 and SRE \$23,962.26.*

(12) Public Works reports January and February

The Public Works reports are thorough listings of all work done by the department each month.

(13) Staff and Commission reports

Martin discussed the lack of work done by Willdan on the rate study and wondered if the city could write them a letter expressing their thoughts and possibly ask for a refund. Grah feels that the letter that went to Willdan asking them to stop work and end their contract addressed the lack of work on the study.

Bhakta asked if a new grease interceptor would need to be installed at the Whiskey Creek location once a restaurant business reopens.

Cross shared that starting 1 April, MCWD will no longer accept commercial trucks generated outside of their service area for dumping waste or grease.

Items to be Discussed at the Meeting of 13 May 2014:

- Meter readings
- Public Works reports for March and April
- Cash balance and revenue and expenditures update on water and sewer reserves

(12) Adjournment

Chairman Pecsi adjourned the meeting at 8:15 P.M. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, 13 May 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

Joe Pecsi, Chairman

Michele Thomas, Secretary