



Danville Utility Commission

4:00 p.m. July 22, 2013 Meeting
Council Conference Room, City Hall

Minutes

Commission Members Present: Donna Benz, Jeff Liverman, Phillip Smith and Bob Vaughan

Commission Members Absent: Joe King, Bob Schasse, Fred Shanks and Jim Turpin

Staff Present: Michael Adkins, Ken Ashworth, Barry Dunkley, Barbara Dameron, Jason Grey, Arnold Hendrix, Jennifer Holley, Steve Saum, Eric Walker, Clarke Whitfield and Allen Wiles

Others Present:

Call to Order & Announcements

Chairman Vaughan opened the meeting and asked that the attendance be recorded. As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order.

Discussion / Business Items

Minutes of June 24, 2013 Commission Meeting: Chairman Vaughan asked for any corrections, deletions, or adjustments to the minutes of June 24, 2013. There were none.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Benz seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Review of Utilities' Financial Statements: Michael Adkins reviewed the May 2013 financial statements.

Mr. Adkins then addressed questions from the Commissioners.

Water and Wastewater Presentation: Barry Dunkley spoke on completed water treatment plant projects including an upgrade to the plant and improvements to the SCADA system. Mr. Dunkley said other improvements have significantly reduced operating costs.

Mr. Dunkley then detailed future capital improvement projects including reducing Trihalomethanes and improving solids removal equipment.

Mr. Dunkley then addressed questions from the Commissioners.

Communications from Utility Staff

Allen Wiles updated the Commissioners on projects in the Water and Gas Division saying that Phase 12 of the Pipeline Replacement Project is complete and that Phase 13 will begin in the next 30 days.

Ken Ashworth spoke on the Electric Division and the recreational releases from the hydro plant. Mr. Ashworth said that, due to construction at the plant, releases were not possible.

Carolyn Evans said that more than 5,000 customers have enrolled in the My eAccount web portal since it went live. Ms. Evans also said that 800 customers are now receiving electronic bills.

Jennifer Holley said the budget would be available electronically and on hard copy and asked which method each of the Commissioners preferred.

Michael Adkins and Barbara Dameron answered questions from the Commissioners about bonds in the budget. Ms. Dameron said she would distribute a list of the bond related projects to the Commissioners.

Barry Dunkley said that the plant operators did an exceptional job handling the recent rain event.

Communications from the Commissioners

Mr. Smith talked about an article he had read detailing the troubles experienced by the Eden sewer system during the recent hard rains. Barry Dunkley answered questions related to the article and how his staff prevented the same issues in Danville.

Director's Report

Mr. Saum said that the Utilities' employees have conducted themselves admirably under the additional stress from heavy rain and high heat.

Adjournment

Chairman Vaughan stated the next meeting is scheduled for August 26, 2013. There being no further business Chairman Vaughan adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by Patti OKeefe
Secretary to the DUC

July 22, 2013
Date Approved

Chairman
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