

10.5.2022 Preliminary Budget & Membership Meeting Minutes

-Call to order at 6:08

-In attendance: John Mlakar, Bill Sterns, Tom Raymond, Tigran Bailey, Chris Young, Tally Sterns, Tammy Sterns, Jacquie Hill, Eric Cook

-Approval of pervious minutes. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Preliminary Budget

-Budget actuals for 2022 through present gone over

-Financial forecast for 2023 will be presented at December budget adoption meeting when we have all the numbers in to work with

-Motion passed to accept **preliminary** budget. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Business

-Discussion of FAMILI Act

-Vote on whether to implement the act or not

-Motion to opt out of FAMILI Act, motion was seconded.

-MOTION TO OPT OF FAMILI ACT PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

-Water projects in town involving moving taps/installing taps

-Motion to move forward on projects of this nature strictly after confirmation comes from the county.

-County Commissioners meeting TBA in Somerset

-SDWD to take over ownership of the park discussion at this meeting?

-The county only performs maintenance on the sprinkler system. If SDWD took over the park, perhaps some money could be generated for the district?

-Would our insurance coverage change?

-Bill made a motion that SDWD take steps to take ownership of the park, Tigran seconded. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

-Other topics for commissioners meeting?

-Speed of traffic in town. What solutions can be employed?

-Better enforcement, speed induced signs?

-Water usage: discussion about leaving water at 10,000 gallons year-round

-Benefit to many homes in town and simplification for billing.

-Bill motioned that the district move to 10,000 gallons of year round usage.

Tom seconded. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

-Treatment plant operator payment discussion. Salary of \$2,000 per month vs. hourly?

-Discussion about work being performed, training, education, ect.

-Discussion about the way the district tracks hours: Last Thursday of the month to last Thursday of the month vs. the last calendar date of the month. The way the district is tracking hours is leading to discrepancy in how many hours per month it actually takes to run the plant.

-Bill motioned that SDWD move to a pay period to the first day of the month to the last day of the month with pay day being the first Thursday of the month. All in favor. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

-Discussion about grill next to building. A fire had been built and it seems best to remove the grill for the safety of the building.

-Grill will be removed.

-Travel pay discussion.

-Gas mileage paid to make deposits OR leave before 3:30 to cover cost of gas.

-Gas paid one way for Jacquie to go to SDA conference as well as one night of lodging to attend the conference on a scholarship granted for the conference.

-Overview of Aspen Environmental Grant that was applied for with WSCC.

-October 22 and 23. The 22nd is for prepping the space and the 23 is the big planting day with food and music.

-This is a grant for the community and not a water district fund.

-The money is being funneled through SDWD accounts because that's the most practical way to do it.

-Thank you WSCC and Aspen Environmental Fund!

-Discussion about books and training for Tally.

-Practice exam book, classes, training, etc..

-Does this entail a contract to get licensure?

-John motioned that SDWD move forward in getting Tally licensed.

-LEAP and LIHWAP funding

-Apply for LEAP which covers help with heating bills and then apply for LIHWAP which helps cover water and wastewater bills.

-This help also extends to helping renters with their bill as well.

-APPLY FOR LEAP SOMERSET!!

-Deck repair discussion

-Deck is in severe disrepair and is a liability

-Eddie is going to do some repairs and paint the deck with a budget of \$500.

-Meeting adjourned at 6:57.

THERE WERE TECHNICAL ISSUES RECORDING THE MEETING, THERE IS NO AUDIO FOR THE FIRST PORTION OF THE MEETING BUT A RECAP IS GIVEN AT 14:30 OF THE RECORDING