

**CITY OF PITTSVILLE  
WATER & SEWER COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson John Becker.

Members present: Dave Soderberg, Deana Becker, Jerry Jensen and Michelle Abel

Also present: Paul Veldman, Utility Director; Dave Haupt, Haupt Well & Pump; Dale Nichols, Mayor

Motion by Jerry J. to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2018 meeting. Second by Deana B. Motion carried.

Dave Haupt was present to discuss water issues with the Commission. He explained that to find municipal water, he looks for sandy gravel formations out of bedrock. When he tested years ago, he saw the sand available here is shallow and fine and not good water-carrying material. So, we need to get water out of bedrock that is fractured. Since it can't be seen, he uses his best judgment to find fractured bedrock. (Thanks to Dave and his crew for their prompt service to repair Well #6 when it unexpectedly went down last week.)

He named a spot as a possible site to test drill that is north of Kiesling Road on Pete Petersen's property. It is nothing definite, of course, but he felt this spot looked promising. He had an aerial picture of the site and explained that the earth has features that hint the rock could be fractured. He passed around several pictures of other possible sites identified as places to begin as well. He started with the Petersen property based on the proximity to our biggest water user which is Badger State Fruit, but we need to be able to get the water back to the treatment center. Dale Nichols arrived at the meeting.

More discussion followed. Dave said the next thing to do is pick a day to go look at all the sites and try to find one as close to the plant as possible. The Phillippi property and the land by Deana's kennel were also mentioned as possible spots because they are closer to the treatment plant. John B. will go with Dave to look at these sites as well as anyone else on the Commission that can come. Dave Haupt then left the meeting. Paul mentioned we need to make sure we have a written document with the landowner's permission to not only test drill but continue to drill and purchase land if water is found.

Discussion was held on the yard conditions that were left after the sewer lateral repairs were made. It was stated that restoration was not part of the bid and is the responsibility of the homeowner.

After determining procedures were followed, motion by Jerry J. to approve the leak adjustment by Hay Creek Pallet in the amount of \$214.62 to be credited to their sewer usage. Second by Michelle A. Motion carried.

The operational report was discussed. Paul V. referred to the attached phosphorus removal pilot test report and explained that the phosphorus numbers going out of the plant were going down but have been starting to climb back up. He talked with Dan Greve and is waiting to hear from him after going through the report. Paul said he might need to increase the alum but will wait to hear what Dan suggests. Jake Hahn resigned his position as of next week. The Commission would like to thank Jake for his many years of fine service to this community. John B. stated he would like the Commission to be more involved in the hiring process for Jake's and Paul's positions when he retires. John mentioned the attached email from the Department of Administration pointing out our shortfall in the water utility to meet its debt coverage. We responded by informing them of the loss of water and sewer revenue from our largest customer and also that we have implemented a water and sewer increase this past year. They are keeping track of us.

Motion by Jerry J. to approve water vouchers #10282-#10292 and sewer vouchers #6637-6643. Second by Deana B. Motion carried. Motion by Deana B. to adjourn. Second by Michelle A. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,  
Sue Shute/Deputy Clerk-Treasurer