

**MINUTES
UTILITIES COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18, 2006**

Mayor Margo G. Bailey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were Council members Whaland Clark, Harrison C. Bristoll, Jr., James R. Johnson, and Mabel Mumford-Pautz, Robert Sipes, Utilities Manager, W.S. Ingersoll, Town Manager, Jennifer Stead, Stenographer, and guests.

Mayor Bailey asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting of August 21, 2006. **Mr. Bristoll moved to approve the minutes as presented, was seconded by Mr. Clark and carried unanimously.**

Mayor Bailey stated that cash on hand and in the banks was \$191,182.17.

Mr. Sipes stated that the blacktop patching throughout Town was complete.

Mr. Sipes stated that Dennis Chlorination was at the lagoon and worked on the gas feed system.

Mr. Sipes stated that the pump on Flatland Road needed a new motor and the repair was completed. However, the day that pump was installed the other pump on Flatland Road broke. He said that the impeller was broken and it would be approximately 4-6 weeks for it to be fixed.

Mr. Sipes stated that the new deep water well pump was on-line and working. Mr. Sipes stated that the laboratory tests to have the well pump certified were finished as well.

Mr. Sipes gave the Council Resolution 7-2006, which was a document to allow raising the hardware prices to keep up with the increase in cost from the distributors. Mr. Sipes read Resolution 7-2006 into the record. **Mrs. Mumford-Pautz moved to approve Resolution 7-2006 was seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried unanimously.**

There being no further business, **Mr. Clark moved for payment of the bills, was seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried unanimously.**

Mr. Clark moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m., was seconded by Mr. Bristoll and carried unanimously.

Submitted by: 
Jennifer Stead
Stenographer

**MINUTES
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AUGUST 21, 2006**

Mayor Margo G. Bailey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were Council members Whaland Clark, Harrison C. Bristoll, Jr., James R. Johnson, and Mabel Mumford-Pautz, Robert Sipes, Utilities Manager, W.S. Ingersoll, Town Manager, Jennifer Stead, Stenographer, and guests.

Mayor Bailey asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting of July 17, 2006. **Mr. Bristoll moved to approve the minutes as presented, was seconded by Mrs. Mumford-Pautz and carried unanimously.**

Mayor Bailey stated that cash on hand and in the banks was \$290,959.27.

Mr. Sipes stated that the 2005 Water Quality Report had been printed in the Kent News last week and was available at the Town Hall if anyone wanted a copy.

Mr. Sipes stated that the motor on well pump 1 burnt out. He said that the pump was replaced recently and the same thing happened three weeks later. Mr. Sipes stated that the manufacturer told him that this was most likely due to a power surge. Mr. Sipes stated that the final pump that was installed was working fine at this time, however, the issue of why the second pump failed is still under investigation. Mr. Sipes said that the second pump was a water-cooled pump that was installed with no water.

Mr. Sipes stated that the connection on Cross Street was complete and the Utilities Department even did the blacktopping.

Mr. Sipes stated that leaks were repaired on Roosevelt Drive, School Road, Prospect Street, and Calvert Street. He said that these leaks were from the milling work that was done on the roads, which aggravated the old pipes.

Mr. Sipes stated that they were scheduled for a storm water project at the intersection of Kent Street and Cannon Street for Tuesday, August 22, 2006.

Mr. Sipes stated that the last big rain storm caused run-off from Coventry Farms II to go into the sanitary sewer. Mr. Sipes stated that the developer was sent a bill for the costs of cleaning the pump station and the overtime for the men to keep the pump station running.

Mr. Sipes stated that the department was now a member of Miss Utility. He said that each ticket received cost \$.65 if it was in the service area, whether the Town had something to locate or not. Mr. Sipes stated that he requested Miss Utility designate location for right-of-ways only (where there were Town water and sewer mains) but that was not an option.

Mr. Johnson asked how the wastewater treatment project was coming along. Mr. Sipes stated that they were a couple weeks behind due to the heavy rains in June, but that was to be expected. He said the concrete work was anticipated to be completed by the end of September. Mr. Sipes stated that he thought there might have to be an extension to the consent order they were working under because it was under too tight a timeframe.

There being no further business, **Mr. Clark moved for payment of the bills, was seconded by Mr. Bristoll and carried unanimously.**

Mr. Clark moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m., was seconded by Mr. Bristoll and carried unanimously.

Submitted by:


Jennifer Stead
Stenographer

Approved by:

Margo G. Bailey
Mayor