

**UTILITIES COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 23, 2011**

Mayor Bailey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were Council members James R. Gatto, Mabel Mumford-Pautz and Mauritz Stetson, Bob Sipes, Utilities Manager, Jennifer Mulligan, Stenographer, and guests.

Mayor Bailey asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Utilities Commission meeting of April 25, 2011. **Mrs. Mumford-Pautz moved to approve the minutes as presented, was seconded by Mr. Stetson and carried unanimously.**

Mayor Bailey stated that cash on hand and in banks was \$415,306.81.

Mr. Sipes stated that he was again having problems with both pumps at Morgnec Village. He said that one of the pumps would be fixed by next week and the other pump had already been reinstalled and was in working order. The use of a pumper truck was required while both pumps were down.

Mr. Sipes stated that there were lightning strikes which took out the security system at the water plant and the controllers at the wastewater plant. He said that damage was estimated at \$10,200.00 and an insurance claim would be filed.

Mayor Bailey introduced Ordinance 03-2011 Water and Sewers Ordinance Revision, which increased the water and sewer rates by 10% effective, July 1, 2011.

Mr. Gatto stated that he received an inquiry from a resident about a bill from the Utilities Commission regarding a lateral from the main to their house that was installed for \$1,200.00. Mr. Gatto stated that the owners of the property live out-of-town but it was the responsibility of the homeowner to pay for the lateral.

Mr. Gatto stated that he would like to see a standardized letter go to each homeowner that receives this service and to allow quarterly payments with a 1% interest rather than 100% of the bill being paid within a 30-day time period.

Mrs. Mumford-Pautz moved for a standardized letter to be sent to the homeowner if this service is required and to allow quarterly payments with a 1% interest rather than 100% of the bill being paid within a 30-day period, was seconded by Mr. Stetson and carried unanimously.

Mr. Sipes stated that it was important to keep an up-to-date contact number for homeowners in case there is an emergency situation.

There being no further business, **Mrs. Mumford-Pautz moved to pay the bills as presented, was seconded by Mr. Gatto and carried unanimously.**

Mrs. Mumford-Pautz moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m., was seconded by Mr. Gatto and carried unanimously.

Submitted by: 
Jennifer Mulligan
Stenographer

Approved by:
Margo G. Bailey
Mayor