



May 7, 2019 Water, Sewer, & Sanitation Committee Meeting – Minutes

The City of Adel’s Water, Sewer, & Sanitation Committee met in the council chambers at Adel City Hall, 301 South 10th Street, Adel, Iowa, on May 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Ockerman called the meeting to order at 6:52 p.m. Members present: Christensen, Miller, and Ockerman. Others in attendance: Council member McAdon, City Administrator Brown, Public Works Director Overton, and McClure rep. Brons.

Christensen motioned, seconded by Miller, to approve the April 8, 2019 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion began on the proposed ordinances for septic system requirements within City limits. Brown stated that the ordinances, which had been drafted by City Attorney Kristine Stone, had been prepared based on comments last month. Some of the language was taken directly from other metro area cities like the City of Johnston. The committee reviewed the proposals.

Christensen motioned, seconded by Miller, to recommend the proposed ordinances for septic system requirements to the council. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion moved to the proposed lift station for the unplatted portion of Southbridge, which is south of the PUD. Brons stated that the developer, Cramer & Associates, has reserved a parcel in this area for a future lift station. While the PUD has gravity sewer, everything south of it will require a lift station.

Brons presented several concepts and noted that McClure’s review was preliminary. Brons noted that one concept was a temporary approach given its cost. Brown noted that this area does not have a preliminary plat. Ockerman stated that a full buildout would make sense given the approximately 250-acre area.

Brons stated that McClure could design the project if the City and Cramer agree. There are also public bidding considerations and whether to oversize the lift station.

Discussion moved to the garbage and recycling rates. Brown stated that the rates have not been revised since 2015. McAdon stated that the South Dallas County Landfill has seen significant growth and must increase its per capita rate. Brown stated that the City’s rates would not need to be adjusted today but should be monitored in future years.

In other business, Brown stated that the City of Johnston had been sued by Xenia Rural Water. Brown also noted that the bids for the new Water Treatment Plant were due soon.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Brown
City Administrator