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**JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND  
WATER AND SEWER UTILITY COMMISSION  
Minutes**

**February 10, 2014**

**Brillion Community Center**

**5:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Gary Deiter called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

**ROLL CALL:**

**CITY COUNCIL:**

Present were Mayor Gary Deiter, Alderpersons Carrie Wenzel (arriving at 5:33 PM), Robert Brick, Mel Edinger, Heather Gruett (arriving at 5:33 PM), Wally Sonnabend, and Larry Van Frachen. Also present was City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Lori Gosz. Absent was Alderperson Betty Nies.

**WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION:**

Present were Mayor Gary Deiter, Jeff Wittmann, Mary Jo Krueger, Leonard Kopidlansky, Dan Mertens, Joe Levash, Dave Schwahn, and Alderperson Wally Sonnabend. Also present was City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Lori Gosz.

**GUESTS:**

Amy Vaclavik and Tony Kappell from McMahan.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

**Motion** – Sonnabend moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Brick. Call vote taken. Motion carried unanimously.

**DEVELOPMENT OF ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLY – WELL #5 PROJECT UPDATE:**

Amy Vaclavik and Tony Kappell, from McMahan, were present to give an update on the Well #5 Project.

Vaclavik reported the drilling will begin once the City receives PSC final approval on the entire project. The DNR has approved the well drilling portion of the project. She explained the well will be designed to not waste any piping so that if in the future a Citywide Water Treatment Plant is required the mains can be used.

Transmission bids will be opened on Thursday, February 13th. Pump house bids will be opened March 4<sup>th</sup> with a Special Joint Meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup> to award the bid.

Kappell reviewed the Well #5 Pump house design. The building would be a 260 sq. ft. masonry block building. The access driveway will be bid with the option to be paved.

Mayor Deiter suggested a steel roof for long term maintenance.

Kappell explained the changes that will be proposed to Well #3, which will replace the gas chloride system with sodium hypochlorite (liquid chlorine). He also explained the changes to the Main Street Wells to tie-in water from Well #5 for treatment.

Vaclavik reviewed the financing proposed for the project. The City Council will be approving a Revenue BAN for a short term, two (2) year, financing with the goal to finance through the Safe Water Drinking Loan, which has a favorable interest rate of 1.925%. The project will require a water rate increase to pay for the cost and borrowing.

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Schwahn questioned the change from gas to liquid chloride. Kappell explained the safety concerns associated with gas. He further explained the DNR has been requiring that these types of chloride systems be upgraded.

Edinger questioned the location of the future wells. Vaclavik explained the location of Well #5 is in a different water aquifer from Wells 1, 2, and 3. There is a concern with the test results of Well #5 and the need to begin looking at an additional Well #6 to allow for enough capacity to take some of the current wells down for maintenance.

Wittmann stressed the importance of moving forward with the development of these wells. If we should lose a current well without a new water supply in place it would be devastating. We would not have enough water to supply the needs of the community.

Mayor Deiter thanked Vaclavik and Kappell. He stated there will be more joint meetings as these well projects continue.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion** – Sonnabend moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Edinger. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 PM.

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Gary Deiter, Mayor

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Lori M. Gosz, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer