Water Committee Minutes July 24, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 10AM by Chairman Stephen Eyrich.

Present were Bob Porth, Mayor Jeff Wise, Marta Pierce, and Kellie Ferrell by Zoom connection.

A discussion of our current financial situation with the Water/Sewer Dept. was presented and discussed. At our current rate structure the projected deficit for this fiscal year will be approximately \$289,000. Various options were discussed for addressing the shortfalls.

Bob Porth, who is also the Chair of the Finance Committee, is working with the support staff at Waterworth in developing models which will solve this problem.

Several options were discussed including cut-backs, streamlining of operation, and rate adjustments, It will likely take a combination of all these measures to effectively attack the deficit.

Some administrative changes will be implemented to simplify our processes while any changes in rate structure will require a public hearing and approval of the full Council. No other action was taken.

After development of the Waterworth models, the committee will again meet to evaluate and decide on proposals to present to the Council.

No other old or new business was discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30AM.

Stephen Eyrich