



Accepted: April 27, 2020

1. Call to Order:

Village President George Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Paul Kennedy, Deb Ehster, Rex Zemke, Dan Mortensen, Craig McEwen, and Village President George Peterson. Trustee Bill Schremp is excused. Also present: Administrator Gary Olsen, Administrator of Public Works Timothy Vergara, Lead Water Works Operator Rick Stoviak, and Clerk Elizabeth Felkner.

2. Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2020:

**Motioned by Mortensen/McEwen to Approve the Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2020 as Presented. Questioned and carried 6:0.**

3. Operator's Report:

Lead Water Works Operator Rick Stoviak gave an update on his department.

- The daily water pumping is averaging roughly 500,000 - 600,000 gallons per day, and weekend pumping is averaging roughly 300,000 - 400,000 gallons per day.
- The water tower located at Cedar Creek is holding a temperature at 32°-35° and the tower located at Brown Blvd is a temperature of 45°-50°.
- On February 11<sup>th</sup>, Rothschild Water Utilities helped Kerry Industries. Kerry Industries utilized roughly 100,000 gallons of water.
- The winter maintenance is now complete at the plant. There were 4 filter cells that needed maintenance.
- On January 28<sup>th</sup> was the fifth and final report that was due. The reports that needed to be filed were updates of the maps, lead & copper sample sites, and tower inspections.
- Mr. Vergara mentioned that at the last meeting, the concept of monthly billing versus quarterly billing was talked about. Over the last couple of weeks, we have utilized Facebook and the election as a tool to collect survey data from residents for which billing method they prefer.

➤ The results from the polls are:

- 44 - quarterly
- 17 - monthly

➤ The results from Facebook are:

- 60 - quarterly
- 25 - monthly



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4. Possible need for an additional Water Tower:

Mr. Vergara explained that over the course of the last several months we have been contemplating the need for a new water tower in the system. The need is driven by the possibility of Kronenwetter going online regarding residential demand and fire protection, and a high amount of tower refills experienced daily. Becher Hoppe has done research with ISO records and completed some preliminary modelling work with our system. Mr. Vergara mentioned that the result is yes, the Village is lacking capacity regarding fire protection in the Cedar Creek pressure zone. It was recommended by Becher Hoppe that a new tower be considered by the Village but in the base pressure zone. Mr. Vergara has requested that they model the estimated maximum flow available through both 12" mains to the lower Cedar Creek pressure zone. Mr. Vergara is requesting that the Village add in funding to purchase land for a new tower since we are in the borrowing process.

**No Action is Taken at this Time.**

5. Adjourn:

**Motioned by Kennedy/Mortensen to adjourn. Questioned and carried 6:0.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.**

Elizabeth Felkner  
Village of Rothschild Clerk