



Accepted: September 14, 2020

1. Call to Order:

Village President George Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Members present: Rex Zemke, Dan Mortensen, Bill Schremp, Paul Kennedy, Deb Ehster, Craig McEwen, and Village President George Peterson. Also present: Administrator Gary Olsen, Administrator of Public Works Timothy Vergara, and Deputy Clerk Stacey Stepan.

2. Consideration of doing a Simplified Rate Increase for the Water Utility:

During the audit presentation, the auditor shared a slide related to the water utility operating results. For 2019, the rate of return is 1.54%. The rate of return should be closer to 3%. The last rate increase took longer to complete which added to the rate of return not being as high as it should be. The PCS allows for a simplified rate increase that can be done one year after a full rate increase was completed. A simplified rate increase would increase water rates by 3%. The rate of increase each quarter would average \$2.37 for residential service. Mr. Olsen shared with the Commission a sample notice of the amounts for the new rates.

**Motioned by Mortensen/Kennedy to Recommend moving ahead with the Simplified Rate Increase for the Water Utility of 3 Percent as Presented. Questioned and carried 7:0.**

3. Adjourn:

**Motioned by McEwen/Zemke to Adjourn. Questioned and carried 7:0. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.**

Stacey Stepan  
Village of Rothschild Deputy Clerk