Denton Utility Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2018
4:00PM

I. Mr. McCullough called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM and thanked those that were in attendance.

II. Those in attendance were Albert McCullough, Adam Jones, Leroy Woomer, Don Mulrine and Mark Chandler

III. On motion by Mr. Woomer and Second by Mr. Jones the minutes for the meeting from August 22 were reviewed and unanimously approved.

IV. Open Issues

a) **Water/Sewer Rates** – Both the sewer rates increase and the new meter installation fee of $350 were both approved and will be taking effect on October 1ˢᵗ. There will be announcements made to the public.

b) **Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade** – Mr. Getchell was not in attendance however we did receive an update from Mr. Mulrine. Mr. Mulrine, Mayor McNinch and Delegate Ghirst met with officials and seem optimistic that we will get the MDE grants. We are currently awaiting approval on the contractor.

c) **FY19 Budget Process –** Mr. Mulrine let us know that the budget was approved at the last meeting with all of the board's recommendations. It will be online for public view.

d) **Fiber Optic System –** There was a new line pulled for Choptank Community Health. Cambio has filed with Maryland Broadband to receive the broadband and has been approved. At this point it is a matter of connections and adjustment details to use Legion Rd. as the primary Fiber point. Once connections and hardware received they can setup for Wifi services to be offered. We will have a 3 year contract with Cambio and then will need to setup a utilities agreement. The project could be completed in a couple months.

e) **Power Plant –** As of 5:00 Monday they came off PGM, so project is on hold. Gas Company has not committed to pipeline.

f) **Other Open Issues –** No open issues

V. New Business

   Other New Business – No new business

VI. The meeting was adjourned at 4:21 PM and Scott will reach out to the board regarding a future date and time for the next meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

   Adam Jones, Secretary