Denton Utility Commission Meeting Minutes February 22, 2023 4:00PM

- I. Mr. Woomer called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM and thanked all that were in attendance.
- II. Those in attendance were Councilperson Lister, Leroy Woomer, Adam Jones, Lee Tillery, Scott Getchell, and Mark Chandler.
- III. Minutes for January 11, 2023, meeting was approved on motion by Mr. Tillery and seconded by Mr. Woomer. No discussion and unanimously approved.
- IV. Open Issues
 - a. Water Main Replacement Project Mr. Getchell stated that the majority of project is to be done on Franklin Street. The needed approvals are in place to get project started and there will be a second Pre-Construction meeting that will happen so that construction can be started. Notice to proceed will hopefully be issued after the meeting and looking to start this spring.
 - b. Water/Sewer Extensions (ARPA Funding) Mr. Getchell noted that some areas on Market St. Extended the gravity sewer will be extended for a few lots. Also, on 2nd Street and Sharp Rd., the water will be looped back to 2nd street along with sewer to allow connectivity to additional lots. Foy Rd. will have w/s extended for lots that have not been able to connect. On Camp Rd. the town is looking to extend from the Wesleyan PS down Aldersgate Drive to add connections. Estimates are \$3-5MM, project getting ready to go out to bid soon. Expectation is to have bid documents prepared in the next week or 2 and bidding usually takes a few months.
 - c. Water & Sewer Budgets Mr. Getchell stated that there are no new updates since the last update.
 - d. **WWTP Sludge Management Project** Mr. Getchell reported that there is no update on additional final number from the submission on updated scope. Once we get the report we can send to MDE.

- e. **Simple Fiber** Councilperson Lister reported that all accounts that were in question at last meeting have now been taken care of. At the last council meeting they did lay out a plan to continue development in the Town of Denton.
- f. **Well #6** Mr. Chandler stated that they have the project narrowed down to 1 company. The town is currently waiting for one consolidated quote and will schedule time for installation.
- g. **Natural Gas Discussion** Councilperson Lister will follow up with contact and report back with some findings from a study that had been done previously.
- h. Water and Sewer Rate Study Update Mr. Getchell has reached out to get study updated from the same company that had done the previous analysis for the town and the cost will be the same. More to come as we get additional information.
- i. Water and Sewer Allocation Comparison Mr. Getchell reported that this is open for discussion, no additional information to disclose. There was a question regarding Capacity fees and it was noted that these funds can only be used for capital improvements and debt.
- j. Other Open Issues None
- V. New Business
 - a. West Denton Discussion The Planning Commission currently working on Comprehensive plan for the town. Monies have become available to study the possibly of developing the village of West Denton. The development would require water and sewer. There have been monies earmarked to do a study to see what it would take to develop (bring water and sewer) to the village of West Denton.
 - b. Other New Business No other new business.
- VI. Adjournment
 - a. Meeting adjourned at 5:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam Jones, Secretary