

Denton Utility Commission
Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2023
3:45PM

- I. Mr. Woomer called the meeting to order at 3:44 PM and thanked all that were in attendance.
- II. Those in attendance were Councilperson Lister, Leroy Woomer, Lee Tillery, Adam Jones, Scott Getchell and Don Mulrine.
- III. Minutes for June 21, 2023 meeting was approved on motion by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Woomer. No discussion and unanimously approved.
- IV. Open Issues
 - a. **Water Main Replacement Project** – Mr. Getchell reported that the town is still actively working on the project. The project is a couple weeks past the original completion date. The Contractor has requested an extension through August. All of the pipes on Franklin Street were pressurized, however the pipes still need to be tied into the system.
 - b. **Water/Sewer Extensions (ARPA Funding)** – Mr. Getchell noted that the Town will be advertising any day now for bids. The bidding will remain open through August and close in September. The hope is to have the project done in Spring.
 - c. **Water & Sewer Budgets** –Mr. Getchell presented the commission with the proposed W/S budgets for review. The proposed budget was discussed for both water and sewer and based on the budget presented the items seemed to be in line. During the discussion there was a 5-year outlook plan presented that outlined projects that the town needs to be out in front of. This will help the utility commission for planning purposes. Motion by Mr. Jones second by Mr. Woomer to move forward with the budget as presented.
 - d. **WWTP Sludge Management Project** – Mr. Getchell reported that the State of MD put out the list for supported projects and the Town of Denton did not make the list for funding from MDE. Meaning that, at this time the Town will not receive funding. Looking into why we

did not get funding and see how to improve our position for funding next time.

- e. **Simple Fiber** – Mr. Getchell reported that he directed the Simple Fiber team in to contact the town’s Attorney. Will follow up with attorney to see if progress has been made with the contract.
- f. **Well #6** – Mr. Getchell stated that the well is back online. The pump and motor were replaced, chlorinated, and flushed. The sample that was taken failed. The system was flushed once again and got a sample to another lab and it passed. Want to get one more passing test sample, the project is almost done and the well, back in service.
- g. **Natural Gas Discussion** – Councilperson Lister stated that there are no new updates.
- h. **West Denton PER** – Mr. Getchell has been getting information to McCrone (engineer). Mrs. Debbie Bowden is no longer working for the county and Mr. Getchell continues to work with the engineer as needed.
- i. **Other Open Issues** - None

V. New Business

- a. **Other New Business** – No other new business.

VI. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 4:28 PM by Mr. Tillery

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam Jones, Secretary