MEETING MINUTES, BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAMMOND WATERWORKS DEPARTMENT Tuesday, October 6, 2020

S. Daniels

President

M. Mclaughlin, Deputy Executive Operator

S. Levinson, Board Attorney

B. Grisolia

Vice President

P. Walker

Secretary

R. Lendi

Treasurer

P. Gavrilos

Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

Those not present: P. Walker and E. Krusa

The Deputy Executive Operator informed the Board that after evaluation of the report completed by Cender and Cender it has become apparent that a need for a rate increase is in order. The proposed rate increase would be imposed over the course of three years. The first increase rate would be to \$1.90 per 1,0000 gallons. The second year would be \$2.10 per 1,000 and the third \$2.30 per 1,000 gallons.

This increase should not produce such a dramatic difference in a single family's home as it will to help the water department. In comparison to surrounding communities we still are at the low end of cost per 1,000 gallons.

R. Lendi asked Karl Cender of Cender and Company what the new revenue would be with the \$2.30. Mr. Cender stated that it would be a revenue of 5.3 million dollars. The \$1.90 rate would increase revenues by approximately \$4 million dollars.

The Deputy Executive Operator informed the Board that this will also be a way to raise money for the Civil City as well, as the Water Department has had to rely on some of their funds to complete projects with the Water Department, including the Columbia Avenue tank painting project.

Mr. Cender stated that last year the Water Department was operating on a 2.6 million dollar deficit.

A motion was made by R. Lendi, seconded by P. Gavrilos and motion carried to: adopt Resolution 20-1 A Resolution Recommending Revision of the Rates and Charges for Water Services Furnished by The Hammond Water Works Department.

The Board President asked if anyone had any other business.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by; P. Gavrilos, seconded by B. Grisolia and motion carried to: adjourn the meeting.

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