Gas Committee Meeting Minutes December 13th, 2021

Attendees: Aldermen Notheisen, Row, Heller and Trantham. Also in attendance were Tim Birk, Mayor Smith, Chris Frank and Shawn Kennedy.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Chairman Notheisen. There were no petitions by citizens.

Chris Frank, the lead employee for the Underground Department, presented a change in the inspection protocol for new home Natural Gas inspections. Previously, City employees would inspect al internal hook-ups of natural gas appliances. This procedure caused potential liability issues for the City because it frequently required moving installed appliances to inspect the gas hook-ups. The new procedure requires the plumbing contractor that installed the gas hook-ups to sign off on his work, thereby keeping the City outside of the responsibility of the internal inspection.

The motion was made by Row and seconded by Heller to approve the program change to be effective January 1, 2022. The motion passed 4-0.

A discussion about a High Pressure Gas Line to run from North Winds Subdivision to City property north of Waterloo. The Mayor spoke to the issue that he wanted the Gas Committee to be aware of the potential need for an additional High Pressure Gas line in the future at an estimated cost of \$650,000 at todays prices.

The committee discussed a new contract with Symmetry pertaining to the monthly distribution of natural gas. There was some confusion with the contract, we called Blake Bastien for clarification but our information was incomplete. Blake stated that he would get back with me for clarification. The committee decided to not take action until a future date.

Motion to adjourn was made at 5:55 by Heller and seconded by Row and passed 4-0.

Submitted by Steve Notheisen