

Water & Sewer Committee Meeting
Sep 28, 2020 – 4:00pm
Minutes – Stan Darter

Meeting Called to Order: 4:00pm

Committee Members Present - Darter- C, Thomas, Row, Hopkins, Buettner

Others Present – Tim Birk, Shawn Kennedy

Agenda

1) Petitions by Citizens Non-Agenda Items

None

2) AMI – Second Sight

Tim Birk explained that a complaint had been lodged against Second-Sight because they are not a Registered Plumbing Contractor in Illinois and are not using Plumbers with an Illinois Plumbing License.

Second-Sight is currently looking for an Illinois Licensed Plumbing Contractor and Tim expects to receive an updated offer by the end of the week.

Waterloo employees are exempt from the Licensed Plumber requirement to install water meters

Discussion about if we “needed” to pay extra to get the meters installed right away or just use our employees regardless of how long it takes. Committee felt we should wait to see the new offer from Second-Sight before we make a decision.

Tim plans to have City Employees begin installing meters on October 1 and that will require moving a couple employees.

3) Comments

Tom Smith stated he would like to have the New Elevated Water Tower built on the Northeast corner of the Fire Department property.

Alderman Darter stated that building a 190 Foot Elevated Water Tower across the street from the VFW property would severely impact the value of that property. The VFW Property is zoned Residential.

Motion made by Kyle Buettner to adjourn, 2nd by Russ Thomas, meeting adjourned at 4:27pm.

attachment

Tim Birk

From: Hughes, Richard <Richard.Hughes@illinois.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2020 7:52 AM
To: Tim Birk
Cc: Randy Rudloff
Subject: Water Meter Replacements
Attachments: IMG_0210.JPG; IMG_0209.JPG; IMG_0208.JPG; IMG_0207.JPG

Tim,
I have attached are the Illinois Plumbing License Law sections, which require Contractors who preform Plumbing work within the State of Illinois to be a registered Plumbing Contractor, who employs Plumbers who have an Illinois Plumbing License to preform the work. Like I mentioned before, employees of the Water Department who install or repair water service and water meters are exempt as an employee working for the municipality. As of May 1st, 2002 any Plumbing work preformed must be done by a Registered Plumbing Contractor. If the City wishes to sub contract the work it must be completed by licensed Plumbers.

If you have any further questions, feel free to reach out to me. I have copied Randy Rudloff, Monroe County Plumbing Inspector on this e mail as well. Thanks,

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* Utility Field Services *

City of Waterloo

Project Update

Project calls for approximately **4,530** AMI water meters to be replaced

- 2,430 Inside
- 2,100 Outside

3,088 water meters have been replaced

- Project completion rate close to 70%

1,412 water meters remaining

- 1,244 Inside
- 168 Outside

Notes:

The outside numbers are a minimum. Several of the work orders have no meter location. The 168 represent the "Pit" meters pending which are confirmed outside meters.

Included is the Oct calendar to share the daily quantity up and coming. The daily appointments are set up as AM's(8-12pm) + PM's(12-4pm). We set a limit of 6 am's and 6 pm's per day for one tech to achieve. The last 5 business days of the month are reserved for the meter readers to collect the manual reads.

Resident communication for scheduling indoor appointments have included postcard mailings, door hangers, and knocking on doors.

Challenges:

- Covid
- Monthly shutdown due to blackout dates
- Scheduling and appointment setting for Inside access
- Plumbers license required by the state of IL?