

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 5, 2010
TIME: 6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Gary Herbert, Helen Gardner, Darrell Poling, Jamie Cain, Bill Wenning and Herb Hunter.

Roll call was taken with all present.

RE: Public hearing for the advertised sewer and water rates and availability fees.

A city resident spoke that he understood but is concerned of what and how this is being done. He stated it needed to be kept in mind that Umbaugh's is working with figures they have been given. He is in favor of a one year increase and then looking at this each year before increasing.

Mayor assured the resident that this has been incorporated into the Ordinances. The City has also incorporated a sewer summer adjustment for the three months of summer as well.

Rick Denney Water Superintendent told they have cut out summer help. They mow 140 acres and instead of cutting the grass every week they plan on stretching it out to every 2-3 weeks.

Jeff Smith Wastewater Superintendent stated they had one employee to retire and they have not filled this position with a full-time employee. They are seeing some big savings in their sludge liquid and solid quotes.

Ersel Rodgers was present from the Rural Water and wanted to know if this is a 5% rate increase across the board.

David Frederick of H.J. Umbaugh addressed the question. The City is not charging Rural Water any more, nor should the City sell water for less than what it cost to produce.

Rural Water has approximately 1200 users and the cost would be about \$1.00 per customer.

Motion by Helen Gardner and seconded by Jamie Cain to close the public hearing. Ayes Bill Wenning, Herb Hunter, Darrell Poling, Jamie Cain and Helen Gardner. Nays none. So passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Presiding Officer: _____

Council Member

ATTEST: _____
Clerk-Treasurer

