

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF EDGERTON**

Chairperson Kapellen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Anne Radtke (remote), Candy Davis, Jim Kapellen, Rick Petersen, Lawanna Schieldt and Denise Langan

Absent: Janelle Frey

Others Present: Utility Director Randy Oren and City Clerk Treasurer Cindy Hegglund

Flanigan confirmed the meeting agenda was properly posted on Friday, September 14, 2020 at the Post Office, Edgerton Library, City Hall and the city's website.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A Candy Davis/Lawanna Schieldt motion to approve the August 10, 2020 Utility Commission meeting minutes passed on a 6/0 roll call vote.

APPROVE VOUCHERS PAYABLE: A Jim Kapellen/Rick Petersen motion to approve payment of the bills list in the amount of \$41,611.76 passed on a 6/0 roll call vote.

WDNR LEAD WATER SERVICE LATERAL REPLACEMENT GRANT APPLICATION: The DNR has \$63.8 million in grant funds available for municipalities to replace private lead water laterals. The private laterals are the laterals from the shut off valve to the house. The City can apply for the grant each year until the money runs out. There is no guarantee there will be more money added to the grant. The municipality can request enough money each year for replacement of the number of laterals it can replace in one construction season. The City can feasibly replace approximately 90 laterals in one season. It is estimated that we have 787 lead or galvanized private laterals that need replacing. The funds will only cover private laterals where the public side of the lateral is not lead or galvanized. Until the leak laterals are replaced the City will still need to treat our water to reduce the corrosive qualities of our water that release lead from lead laterals.

The decisions needed from the Commission will be to decide if staff should apply for the grant knowing the City will still need to treat the water and also knowing the grant cannot be offered to every homeowner? Will the City offer 100% grant funds or will a contribution from the homeowner be required? Staff is recommending 100% funding to encourage participation. Should owners of rentals be eligible? Staff is recommending only-owner occupied properties should be eligible. How will the Commission prioritize who gets the funds? Staff is recommending houses with young children have first priority since young children are most adversely impacted by lead.

A Jim Kapellen/Candy Davis motion to apply for the DNR lead service lateral, with 100% grant funded, owner occupied, and houses with young children have first priority, passed on a 6/0 roll call vote.

Being no other business before the Commission, a Lawanna Schieldt/Denise Langan motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

Randy Oren/wjl
Utility Director