



BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Friday February 23, 2018 @ 7:30 A.M.

Memorandum

Present: Committee Chair Jane Merrill, Committee Members Carmel Mills and Michael McDonald. Others in attendance were Legal Counsel Anne Poindexter, Director Drew Williams, Controller Cindy Sheeks, Administrative Assistant Maggie Crediford.

Ms. Merrill called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.

Public Comment

There was no one present from the public.

IT Update

Mr. McDonald stated that he is pleased to see that IT administrative rights are limited to Mr. Williams and Mr. Watkins. He stated that he would like to make sure that restore abilities are under the control of the District in the event it ever separates from the current contractor it would be important for that control to be internal.

Well Customer Billing Options

Ms. Sheeks stated that she researched what other utilities in the area charge unmetered customers. She found that the District has the second lowest rate for unmetered accounts in the area. Ms. Sheeks contacted and explained to Ms. Hale the comparison of costs for unmetered accounts in other districts and told her that the only way to measure exactly what she is using is to have her account metered. It would not be cost effective for Ms. Hale to do that. She understood the issues. Ms. Sheeks stated that other utilities have moved to flat rate billing for unmetered accounts, she recommended that the District move to flat rate billing as well to avoid confusion in the future. The Committee liked the idea of charging a flat rate for unmetered customers. They will recommend the change when the Rate Ordinance is under review in June and July.

Sheriff's Sale 3624 Tara Court

Mrs. Poindexter explained that the practice for collecting liens has changed. All parties are no longer named in foreclosure documents.

Ms. Merrill stated that attorneys are now relying on the Sherriff's office to enforce payment of liens before they will release a deed to a foreclosed property.

Mrs. Poindexter had concerns that liens that are not certified with the county will be looked over. If they are certified with the county, they will have to be paid in full when the next

installment of taxes is due. She asked that Ms. Sheeks or Ms. Keefe (Utility Billing Specialist) contact the sheriff's office in the counties the District services and inquire what their policy is on enforcing liens before deeds are issued on foreclosed properties.

Ms. Sheeks stated that the Customer Service Department would call the Sheriff's Departments and report back to the committee next month.

Financial Statements and Investments

Ms. Sheeks stated that the cash balance is up by \$400,000. There were no Capital expenses in January. Wage payments were up because there were three payrolls in January. Ms. Sheeks stated that the numbers for depreciation in the original budget need to be adjusted. The Committee asked her to revise those numbers and bring them to the meeting next month to be discussed.

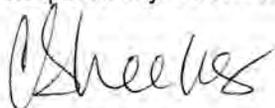
Other Business

There was no other business discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 a.m.

Date and Time for Next Meeting: March 23, 2018 @ 7:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy Sheeks
Controller