**MINUTES**

**FRITCH CITY COUNCIL WATER WORKSHOP**

**April 16, 2019**

**SFISD BOARD ROOM 540 EAGLE DRIVE FRITCH, TEXAS**

**6:30 P.M.**

**All agenda items are subject to action. The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.**

1. **Call to order. Welcome Citizens and Visitors.**

- Mayor Dwight Kirksey called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. Council member(s) absent were Ruth DeRosa. City Employees present were Public Works Director Roger Pense, Municipal Judge Shelby Deatherage, Police Chief Robert Chapmon, Museum Director Stephanie Davidson, Volunteer Fire Chief Ed Adamson, Fire Volunteer Rodney Kerbo, City Secretary Michelle Moneymaker, and City Manager Drew Brassfield.

1. **Workshop Items:**
   1. **Discuss future plans of the water system; Construction project estimations presented by City Manager Drew Brassfield.**

* Mayor Dwight Kirksey asked if water meter upgrades where being considered as a priority item over the next 5 years, due to the currently monthly readings effort consuming over 40% of the public works labor.

City Manager Drew Brassfield responded by noting that since all of the meters are of a “functioning” status; upgrading meters would not be considered priority in comparison to remaining water and sewer construction that is a necessity at this time.

* Mayor Pro Tem Richard Hein asked City Manager Drew Brassfield to rate the priority items and forecast which fiscal years these projects would take place.

Response from City Manager Drew Brassfield is listed below. The below future projects total approximately $6.8MM.

* + - * 1. Water Tower Repair & Upgrades – 19/20 fiscal yr.
        2. 400K Gal Ground Storage Tank – 20/21 fiscal yr.
        3. 400K Gal Storage Tank Deahl GST – 21/22 or 22/23 fiscal yr.
        4. 400K Gal Storage Tank Hi Texas GST – 21/22 or 22/23 fiscal yr.
        5. 18” Transmission Line – 23/24 fiscal yr.

* 1. **Discuss water rate review and comparison; Rates, income and expenses were presented by City Manager Drew Brassfield and City Secretary Michelle Moneymaker.**
* Mayor Pro Tem Richard Hein highlighted that at the current water rate, there is approximately $500K to $600K per fiscal year in revenue available for water improvements. He also noted that this number does decrease when expenses outside of public works increase.
* Mayor Pro Tem Richard Hein summarized the expected revenue at the current water rates by pointing out that a scenario where zero funds are committed to capital improvements; by the 2023/2024 fiscal year the available public works fund balance would be at an estimated $4.3MM. This is $2.5MM less than the estimated cost of the priority construction improvements, previously presented by City Manager Drew Brassfield.
* Mayor Dwight Kirksey asked for additional questions/comments from Council Members.
* No further questions/comments were mentioned.

**3. Adjournment.**

* Mayor Dwight Kirksey adjourned the meeting at 7:01PM.

**READ, PASSED AND APPROVED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2019.**

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**Mayor Dwight Kirksey City Secretary**