



## City of Donnelly

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# Special City Council Meeting on Monday, August 29, 2016 at 6:00 pm Donnelly Community Center

## MINUTES

**Roll Call:** Councilor Stayton, Councilor Minshall, Councilor Davenport, Mayor Koch were present. Councilor Getto teleconferenced. Clerk Hedges also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

**AB 16-42 FY 17 Tentative Budget** – public hearing was published in the Star News on to ask for public comment on the tentative FY 17 Budget October 1, 2016.

Opened at 6:11 p.m.

Against: **Gene Tyler** - property owner. Library we are budgeting \$23,594, which is \$172 per citizen. We have better needs for the city to use their money for. We need a backup well and need to put as much money away as possible to help fund this project. Allocating this amount is very high to put toward the library. Over 3 years it is more like \$445 per citizen. We need water before a library. We need to allocate toward this. There are more things that the City could do to help the citizen's. For example, allow WIFI to all residents. This would allow them to access information via the internet. This amount would be better for the well instead of the funds going to the library.

For: Rene Werhli - the surrounding area uses the library.

Neutral: None

Close the public hearing at 6:10 pm.

### **BUSINESS AGENDA:**

#### **AB 16-42 FY 17 Tentative Budget**

**Motion by Davenport, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Getto** to approve the FY 17 Budget effective October 1, 2016.  
Motion carried.

**AB 16 -39 New well Planning (Bond)** – Mike Woodward, Tim Farrell and Warren Drake from Mountain Waterworks. Currently Mountain Waterworks is working with the water system to identify specific needs as the current water system goes. Couple of high priority needs. New well, upgrading existing

water lines that are comprised of 2" to 4" lines. These are the ones to be replaced. Upgrading well and distribution system.

The bond would provide new well, well house, include enough in the bond to do all of the 4 in and as much as the 2" throughout the city. All valves would be matched. The city is currently on a grid system but would look at how things would work correctly. Strategic placement and there would also be backup power. Isolation valves. Communication with the well, improve the current well house and to bring it to current standards. The master plan prioritizes what the needs are.

Councilman Stayton asked what is required legally by the City. It is possible that the City is grandfathered in which is ok to have one well. Once a new well comes on then it would be required to have the redundancy. Well built in 1992 well pump much longer. What would happen if the well went out? What is the current system?

Mike Woodward, stated that the pump testing has not been done as there is not a flow meter. As for the pump capacity from 1992 it looks as that it is okay and it is possible that there is not any capacity problem. New well could have better capacity. (Lose transmission, well pump, if the well collapses this would be an issue (catastrophic). What is the life expectancy of a well? Planning 40-60 years.

The current well would not meet current day standards.

Quality water, testing from public health there are no problems. There may be taste, lines, etc. Flushing the system helps a lot. There are no guarantees in this area that there could be a way from the iron, smell, etc. Testing would be done and water quality samples. Current well is at approximately at 522 ft. The current well would become the backup well. This would meet the redundancy.

Council: Do you foresee any costs for the homeowners? Mountain Waterworks: Homeowner would be responsible for improvement from the meter.

Councilor Davenport: Do you see the new housing development coming in hurting the current well in place? Mountain Waterworks: This would be a small demand increase but it would be better having a backup well.

Funding: The facility plan is not completely finished but working on. 1.2 million project. Bond election for up to 1.2 million. Secure grant funding through USDA and Dept. of Commerce. Build the project around the affordability to the community. What can the community afford? What do they really want to do to upgrade the system.

Council: If we were putting off the bond for years to come. Would there be more funding at a later time? Mountain Waterworks: Future is unknown. Currently a good funding source time frame. At a low to moderate income community helps with funding, interest rates lower. In the future there will be more funding competition, making funding harder.

Council: Could you get a new well and then put the lines in later? Mountain Waterworks: The city needs to get some skin in the game. So they want to see everything at a time. It could be possible if the community was not ready for the rate increase, but not recommended.

Councilor Davenport would like to present to the public. Councilor Minshall stated that if we don't have a backup well it could be days or weeks without water. Councilor Stayton has hesitation, as that there has not been any public input and do not think they will go for it. Thinks May would be better, so that

there is more time to do education etc. Mayor Koch believes that 3 months is enough time to educate, if we hold enough meetings and educate people. Presentation with pictures. This is why we need this... Show pictures, examples of the current issues and asks that the Public Works keep items to show the residents.

Clerk stated that the City Council would need to hold a special meeting to adopt an ordinance approving a bond approval be put on the November 8<sup>th</sup> ballot. Council will hold the meeting on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

**Motion from Minshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Davenport**, to place bond on the November 2016 ballot for water system improvements. Getto yes, Stayton no. Motion carried.

**AB 16-40 New Flow Meter**

Mountain Waterworks stated that if the well pump is not running it is possible that the chemical pump was injecting. It would be possible that the distribution of the chemicals in a big push. A flow meter would detect if the pump was flowing water. It is a safe guard. There is a potential to happen. This would also know how much water was coming into the system. Indicates the need if there is a revenue loss.

**Motion by Davenport, 2<sup>nd</sup> Stayton** to approve the purchase and installation of a new flow meter in the Pump House. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN:**

**Motion by Minshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Davenport** to adjourn at 8:01 p.m. until the Special Meeting on September 6, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Adopted: September 19., 2016  
Mayor, Brian Koch  
Clerk, Cami Hedges