

UTILITY IMPACT BOARD MINUTES

March 3, 2014

NAME	AREA REPRESENTED	PRESENT	ABSENT
Greg York	New Castle Mayor	X	
Dave Barker	Director of Public Works	X	
Don Tichenor	Special Projects Manager	X	
Dave Copenhaver	City Attorney	X	
Kenny Melton	Building Commissioner	X	
Melvin Watson	Superintendent Waterworks	X	
Ed Hill	GIS/MS4 Coordinator	X	
Janice Burns	Manager Utilities Office	X	
Fred Duvall	Superintendent Non-Certified Wastewater	X	

Date: Monday, March 3, 2014.

Facilitator: Dave Barker

This meeting was called to order by Dave Barker at 9:33 am.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Dave B. asked if there were any corrections or additions to the previous minutes. Ed made the motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Dave C. seconded. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Pat Carter appeared speaking for the St. James Episcopalian Church located at 2020 Bundy Avenue. She stated that in 2007 they had developed a leak and as part of the repair had installed a larger service line and meter (1.5"). She said that the water bill had quadrupled as a result, even though their consumption was 2-3 units per month. They do not want to remove the meter, but would like to get an exception on paying the base rate and instead pay what is actually used. It was explained to her that State Law does not allow that exception and presumably all water utilities bill in the same manner. A "heavy user" of water typically has this size service and would normally exceed the minimum usage, and additionally would have a different rate schedule based on that usage. Melvin suggested installing reducers on the existing plumbing in order to use a smaller meter. The Church uses Sloan valves on some of its toilets, requiring a certain pressure to work properly. Melvin and Kenny Dale thought they would be able to get by with a ¾" meter, thereby saving a significant amount on the monthly base rate. Melvin offered to loan a ¾" meter (and bill accordingly) to test for usability. Mrs. Carter thanked the board and said they would be in contact with Melvin.

OLD BUSINESS: The Aldon Tabor application was discussed briefly, and it was determined that Mr. Tabor should come to the Utility Impact Board to discuss the proposed development.

NEW BUSINESS:

NEW APPLICATIONS: None

ADJUSTMENTS: Janice requested approval to make an adjustment from 2-19-14 to 2-28-14 in the amount of (\$2149.90). Motion made by Janice, second by Melvin. **Motion carried.**

BOARD MEMBER’S BUSINESS: Melvin informed the board that 53 mains and service connections have been repaired this winter, so far. In the past, the water department has averaged 20 repairs in a year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 am

Minutes submitted by: Ed Hill

Next meeting will be **Monday, March 17, 2014** at 9:30 am