

Chairman Gene Neidermyer called the **February 10, 2022** meeting of the **Western Heights Water Authority** to order at 6:01 p.m. Present were Gene Neidermyer, Jim Leonard, Tony Gay, Bruce Martin and Tom Plitt. Also, present were Noah Zimmerman (Operator), Dan Becker (Engineer) and, William Cassidy (Solicitor).

Jim made a **motion to approve the January 13, 2022 minutes**. Bruce seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Joy reported that Wesley Zeiset, 111 Water Street, inquired why he is getting two (2) invoices for his residence since he is paying on water usage for the entire house. Jim made a **motion to approve discontinuing billing for the second (2nd) EDU associated with the rental use and bill for total water consumption for the entire property**. Tony seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Jim made a **motion to approve the raising the Tapping Fee to Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) per EDU**. Bruce seconded the motion and all voted yes. Solicitor Cassidy will prepare a Resolution to increase the tapping fee for adoption at the March 10, 2022 Authority meeting.

Joy reported that Candie Johnson, Township Secretary, suggested creating a letter to those customers that have multiple liens on their properties, educating them of their balance due and that a Sherriff Sale may proceed if they don't make a full payment on their account. She offered to assist in creating the letter since she has prior experience doing so. The Authority directed the office staff to create a letter and then send it to Solicitor Cassidy for review.

Solicitor Cassidy reported that the Municipal Authorities Act does not permit monetary gifts. The Authority directed Noah to come up with an old piece of equipment from the WWTP which will have meaningful memories tied to it.

Solicitor Cassidy handed out an Improvement Guarantee policy to consider at the next meeting.

Noah reported that since the Nitrate System has been disconnected, he will evaluate the possibility of utilizing the nitrate removal system heads as part of the softener system update. He suggested budgeting for this upgrade in 2023.

The delinquent accounts were reviewed in the amount of \$4,529.63.

The receipts for January were reviewed in the amount of \$22,793.22.

Bruce made a **motion to approve the disbursements of checks #4593-#4605 in the amount of \$6,003.92**. Tony seconded the motion and all voted yes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joy M Oberholtzer, Appointed Secretary/Treasurer