

# Bryant Water and Wastewater Committee Meeting

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- Date:** Thursday October 7, 2014
- Time:** 6:00 P.M.
- Location:** Boswell Municipal Complex Conference Room
- Members Present:** Wade Boone, Kathy Barber, Alan Kays, Jack Moseley, Robert Griffin, Linda Levart, Madison McEntire, Jason Patterson
- Members Absent:** Mike Chandler
- Staff Present:** Howard Hoover, Mindy Cox,
- Others Present:** Sabrina Wright
- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Griffin
- September Minutes:** Motion to Approve Minutes as amended by Alan Kays  
Motion Seconded - Jason Patterson  
Motion carried with all aye votes
- Financials:** No Financial Report was available.  
Motion to Table – Linda Levart  
Second – Wade Boone  
Motion carried with all aye votes
- Citizen’s Concerns:** **Sabrina Wright – 725 Elkhart** – Ms. Wright was present and stated that her child had left a water hose running resulting in an extremely high water bill. She asked for an adjustment to her bill.
- Motion - Alan Kays moved to adjust the sewer bill to its normal consumption amount and offer Ms. Wright a payment arrangement for up to 6 months to pay the adjusted bill.  
Second – Linda Levart  
Motion carried with all aye votes
- Further discussion – the Committee asked Mindy Cox to investigate why the new AMI system did not trigger an (water leak) alert that would have allowed the Water Department to provide Ms. Wright with an early notice of high usage. The Committee understands that the system is supposed to set-off an alert after 24 hours of continuous usage with no zero usage. Mindy has understood that the alert comes after 3 days of continuous usage. The Committee asked her to provide them with the correct operation of the system and send a message to the committee members with this information.
- Fred Osborne – 9511 Highway 5 North, Lot 32** – Mr. Osborne was not present. Mindy Cox explained that Mr. Osborne’s neighbor had reported a leak over a weekend. Our On-Call employee responded to the neighbor but did not find a leak. The leak turned out to be on the nearby meter belonging to Mr. Osborne. However that was not discovered until the following week. The continuing leak was due to Water Department error. Mr. Osborne had requested some adjustment to his bill.
- Motion – Wade Boon moved to adjust the water bill to its normal consumption amount in light of Departmental error.  
Second – Jason Patterson  
Motion carried with all aye votes
- Saline County Home Builders – 412 Creekside Cove** - Mindy reviewed the request for an adjustment. Saline County Home Builders stated that they had used the water for landscape irrigation. The Committee noted that they had not previously notified the Water Department as is required.
- Motion – Alan Kays moved to deny the adjustment  
Second – Linda Levart

Motion carried with all aye votes

**Nancy or Sam Eary– 4512 Lexington Park Circle** – Mr. and Ms. Eary were not present. Mindy noted that they had provided a plumber’s invoice confirming they had repaired their leak.

Motion – Linda Levart moved to adjust the sewer bill to normal usage.

Second – Alan Kays

Motion carried with all aye votes

**Ruth Brumley – 42 Bradley** - Ms. Brumley’s requested adjustment spanned three billing cycles. Again, the Committee questioned why the system was not alerting for high usage so that the Department could notify Ms. Brumley of a possible leak.

Motion – Wade Boone moved to adjust the sewer bill to normal usage.

Second – Jason Patterson

Motion carried with all aye votes

**Tina Warner – 3303 Stillman Loop** - Ms. Warner requested an adjustment after repairing a toilet leak.

Motion – Jason Patterson moved to adjust the sewer bill to normal usage.

Second – Wade Boone

Motion carried with all aye votes

**Shelly Maynard– 702 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street** - Ms. Bradley was not present. Mindy reviewed the request for an adjustment due to a toilet leak that has been repaired.

Motion – Jason Patterson moved to adjust the sewer bill to normal usage.

Second – Wade Boone

Motion carried with all aye votes

**Note:** Discussion followed regarding whether toilet leaks should be eligible for adjustments since the water does enter the sewer system and has to be treated. Members agreed that in the past adjustments have been allowed.

**New Business:** **No New Business**

**Old Business:** **Revised Bill Adjustment Policy** - The Committee had a number of questions regarding the policy. The item was tabled until Monty Ledbetter was available to clarify some issues. After the policy is refined, the Committee will send it to City Council with a recommendation to adopt, giving the Committee a firm basis for making decisions regarding leak adjustments.

**Reports: ANRC Projects** **Water and Sewer Projects**

The 16” Water Main project is under construction with some slowdown due to problems locating a CAW water main in the middle of Alexander Road.

The 12” Sewer Force Main project is waiting for acquisition of the remaining easements before construction can begin.

**Budget Status Report** No discussion

**Comments:** November is the month for nominating officers for 2015. December is the month for election of new officers. The Committee asked Howard Hoover to send out a notice of when member’s terms expire.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, Mr. Griffin entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Linda Levart to adjourn, seconded by Wade Boone. The motion carried with all aye votes.

The next regular meeting of the Bryant Water and Sewer Advisory Committee will be November 4, 2014 at 6:00 P.M in the Court Room.

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Robert Griffin  
Chairperson

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Howard Hoover  
Administrative Operations Coordinator