



One idea was - To serve customers of Greenville Water Utility in the most efficient manner in terms of quality, quantity and value of the water. To be a Sounding Board - Listen - Evaluate the Facts - Improve Quality of Life.

Jim Lemmons said he knows people on several water utilities and he would check with them to see if they had mission statements that we could review and possibly incorporate them into our own.

We discussed putting this mission statement on the newsletter. This is tabled until the next meeting when we have some more input from Jim's research.

The upcoming Field Hearing on June 27 was discussed, Butch thinks that everyone that wants to say something, will have to put something in writing at the beginning of the meeting, and that they will probably not allow the meeting to get out of order. Butch explained that actually 3 petitions had been signed.

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- 2 - 10 names on petition to get them down here
- 3 - Minimum of 44 names of Registered voters to put "Opting Out" on the ballot in November.

We discussed trying to get the newsletter mailed prior to the Field Hearing, so there might be fewer people to object to the rate increase. It appears that once they understand, they are not objecting to it. Everyone will review the newsletter and changes will be made at our next meeting, and it will be mailed immediately. We also talked about keeping the newsletter up on a quarterly basis, or more as needed in the interim.

It was questioned if there were any State Statutes to govern our actions, and believe that from discussions at the Town Board Meeting that since we are not elected officials, we are not covered by "Sunshine Law" and therefore our records are not public documents.

However, we do have access to all the Town Board and Water Utility records to aid us in our mission. Jim Fender was given a key to the office and we can meet there, have access to the records and do any calling or faxing from there.

This brought up a discussion about having a small budget or something to spend in the cost of obtaining information (i.e. copies of courthouse records, etc) or the cost of distributing information (i.e. cost of mailing the newsletter. We understand that we are not authorized to spend the town's money, and don't really want to be, but we need some direction from the Town Board in matters as noted above.

We received word that the Town Board would like to receive copies of our minutes submitted to them in a timely manner, so they have time to review prior to the monthly board meeting. This should not be a problem, however, we need to discuss how distribution should be done.

The committee discussed concern over how long Bob Gibson will be on retainer in advisory capacity and what his contract was, as we felt he was very helpful and a wealth of knowledge, and a good liaison. Bob informed us that it was kinda an open ended contract where either party could cancel at any time, but he hoped to see the project through. We would like some information from the Town Board in regards to this.

Bob explained that Wind Dance Farm originally was looking to Borden Tri-County for their water needs, but it was discussed and felt best that the City of Greenville could annex them, we would all benefit from the added tax base. Since there was no residents to object, this was accomplished rather easily. However, that is why they are now on the Greenville Water System. Due to the size of the homes, it is not felt that this development will have the quick growth that the "Clover Creek" subdivision or the new "Cedar Point" subdivision, both in Galena will impact the system.

Discussions over charging builder/developers more for water meters, water lines or a portion of the new construction costs was discussed and will be one of our hot topics for the future.

Another near future topic will be to talk to American Water Works about purchasing the Water Utility.

Our next meeting, we will try to brainstorm projects and prioritize.

Meeting was adjourned about 9:15 pm.