

City of Bel Aire Utility Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday September 14, 2022

1. Call to Order: meeting called to order by Chairman Tenbrink at 3:02 PM.
2. Roll Call: UAC members present – Markley, Broyles, Moss and Tenbrink. Also, in attendance; Bel Aire City Mayor Jim Benage and Bel Aire Communication Coordinator Tristan Terhune.
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Moss to approve the agenda, seconded by Markley. Agenda approved.
4. Approval of August 10, 2022, UAC Meeting Minutes. Motion by Markley to approve the minutes, seconded by Moss. Minutes approved.
5. New Business:
 - A. Boil water Advisories: The committee asked Tristin Terhune to give a summary from her experience of previous boil water advisories. Tristan stated Ty Lasher or Anne Stephen would notify her to start notifying the community and the media with information coming from KDHE office. She would put the information on the city web site and social media sites, Facebook, Twitter, Next Door and revise the city voice mail message. She was looking for a way to obtain the email or phone numbers of all utility bill customers who were willing to give the information to send emails, text messages or voice mails informing as many as possible of the boil water advisory. She asked the UAC committee to help on the subscription drive by manning a booth at the upcoming Fall Festival. Markley asked about portable media boards. Tristin stated that was a possibility to place one at a strategically location.
 - B. October “Did You Know?”: Next months DYK is a follow up on September DYK on recycling and trash collection by Waste Connections. After some minor wording changes, the DYK was approved to send to the city staff.
 - C. UAC Candidate: No candidates that had applied to fill the vacancy.
 - D. Volunteer Application distribution: Tenbrink handed out a copy of the city Volunteer Application to the UAC members.
 - E. CCUA update: Mayor Benage gave a brief update on CCUA reply to KDHE letter on their concern of the wastewater influence. CCUA had met with KDHE and gave them their plan to solve the problem.
6. Round table discussion:
 - A. Markley – Stated her work commitment may keep her from being able to attend next month’s meeting.
 - B. Broyles - No report.
 - C. Moss – Stated we need more rain.
 - D. Mayor Benage – Stated he was working on a development/marketing plan for the city.
 - E. Tenbrink – Stated from a newspaper article that wastewater could detect Covid outbreaks 5-days before clinics and hospitals were able to detect out breaks. From another article on school age children stated Poverty level of U.S. students at

50% and students in Kansas at 49%, with 73% of USD 259 students meeting federal low-income poverty criteria. Diversity- less than 50% of white and non-Hispanic students made up the total school population. In the counties surrounding Wichita it's 84%, in USD 259 it's 33%. 10% of students across the U.S. are English language learners, In Wichita its 18%, Wichita students speak 119 languages and dialects, represents 96 countries. Special education students represent 9% in the U.S. and Kansas students versus 14% in Wichita schools.

7. Next UAC meeting October 12, 2022 @ 3-5 PM at City Hall Senior Center.
8. Motion by Markley to adjourn, second by Moss. Meeting adjourned at 5:03 PM

Dan Broyles
UAC Interim Secretary