

City of Bel Aire Utility Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday April 13, 2022

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tenbrink at 3:04 PM.
2. Roll Call: present – Markley, Moss, Broyles, and Tenbrink. Tyler Dehn was absent due to a business commitment.
3. Approval of Agenda: Markley moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Broyles, agenda approved.
4. Approval of March 9, 2022, Meeting Minutes, moved by Markley and seconded by Moss, minutes were approved.
5. New Business:
 - A. Waste Connections service changes: The committee discussed Waste Connections recycle schedule changes, A note on the Utility Bill stated changes were coming and to check the city web site after 3-28. The web site stated that Waste Connection would be sending out a card telling of the schedule changes. However, no one on this committee received a card, later the city web site directed us to the Waste Connections web site showing the route date changes. By the looks of recycle carts on the recycle day most every recycle customers were just as confused as their neighbors. The committee agreed that the city and/or Waste Connection did a poor job with follow through of communicating the schedule change.
 - B. CCUA proposed future changes: Tenbrink handed out a city prepared Power Point copy of the Sewer Plant Expansion. The committee looked over the paper and a brief discussion followed.
 - C. 2022 Water Conversation Plan: The committee reviewed the plan as written made a few minor changes and approved it to be forward to the city staff.
 - D. May “Did You Know”: The committee review and approved the May “DYK” covering water and sewer rates and usages. The “DYK” was approved and forward the city staff.
6. Round table discussion:
 - A. Markley reported she had received an email from Stephanie Byers of the state water committee stating that Rep. Ron Highland is the committee chair, Rep. Boyd Orr is vice chair and Rep. Lindsay Vaughn is the raking minority. The state water committee had spent most of the session working on a bill that would create a new cabinet position in the Governor’s office, a Secretary of Water. That bill was gutted and replaced with legislation that basically keeps everything status quo, with a little more accountability from the groundwater management districts.
 - B. Broyles had no report
 - C. Moss asked if the base rate in the “Did You Know” reflected the 3% rate increase this year. Tenbrink stated the figures in the “DYK” did reflect the annual 3% rate increase for 2022.

D. Tenbrink handed out a flyer showing Sedgwick County E-Waste Collection on April 21-23 & April 28-30 at the Sedgwick County West Yard @ 4701 S. West Street. And the Electronics Recycling & Shredding Day on April 30th at Bel Aire City Hall. He also reminded the committee that we will meet next month at the CCUA plant if weather is permitting.

7. Next UAC meeting scheduled for UAC meeting May 11, 2022 @ 3:00 PM at CCUA plant for a tour and to meet Jacob Coy, plant manager or at City Hall Senior Center if weather prohibits our CCUA plant tour.

8. Moss move to adjourn and was second by Markley. Meeting was adjourned at 4:37 PM

Dan Broyles
UAC Member