

City of Bel Aire Utility Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday June 8, 2022

1. Call to Order: meeting called to order by Chairman Tenbrink at 3:05 PM.
2. Roll Call: present – Markley, Moss, Broyles, Dehn, Chairman Tenbrink and Mayor - Benage
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Markley to approve the agenda “As Amended”, seconded by Moss.
4. Approval of April 13, 2022, Meeting Minutes and May 11, 2022 CCUA tour recap. Motion by Moss to approve “As Amended”, Markley seconded.
5. New Business:
 - A. Backflow preventer deadline – Deborah Appel (City Treasurer), who is leading city efforts on these reports provided a status update. A lot more seem to be coming in bunches, irrigation inspection schedules backed up. She is working with people who have called and at least got it scheduled. Working with people that are making the effort. Reminders will be going out in several ways over the next few weeks. Mayor Benage mentioned he would add a status update and reminder in his “Mayors Corner” in the breeze this month.
 - B. Tyler Dehn Status – announced and provided letter of resignation to Chairman Tenbrink and the committee based on his appointment to the Bel Aire City council and his allowing another citizen to serve on the UAC. He thanked the committee for allowing him to participate and provide input. Members of the committee reported on personal experience with scheduling and getting reports in.

Discussion was had about providing input on recruiting efforts for others that might be interested to serve on UAC. Tyler mentioned that he gave input to Mayor Benage about Edgar Salazar who had submitted his interest for open council position(s) as well. I have known him from HOA and Bel Aire Rec. activities and believe if he were interested would be a great fit for helping fill the open UAC position.
 - C. Feedback on CCUA Plant Tour –

Tyler - it was a great tour; Jacob did a fine job showing us around and answering questions. Thinks it was very good for the council members to attend as well and suggests annual opportunities for UAC, council, other city staff and community groups.

Ashley – no additional comments.

Dan – impressed with how clean and maintained the Headworks building was from last time they had seen it with all the rust.

Bill – not able to attend.

Art – no noticeable odor, nice weather day and got the perfect spot for the tour photo.
 - D. May 21 Curbside cleanup – went well, no major issues reported. (22 tons)

E. July "Did You Know" – consumer confidence report and CCUA tour photo. Discussion was had on Wichita Water boil order and potential to provide a did you know in the future that explains the benefits of having two different water sources. It was noted that KDHE takes a very conservative approach to matters of public safety and although the water might be safe, they have this process to prove it is safe after a reported issue before limiting the order and for good reason. Could also add in future did you knows covering the ability to add notifications via email subscription list(s) or submit report of "pot hole" on the cities website.

6. Round table discussion:

A. Tyler – mentioned the rate increase (2%) that was approved at last nights city council meeting for waste connections trash/recycle service to city of bel aire. Their contract allows for a rate increase request annually at a max. of 2%, last year a 1% increase was approved. The reasoning for the request was due to increased costs. Also, he thanked the Mayor and UAC for the opportunity to serve on this committee and hoped he provided good support and looked forward to working with the committee during his time on council.

B. Markley – no report but noted a conflict with next meeting and requested new date/time be considered.

C. Broyles - No report.

D. Bill – noted that Edgemoor is deteriorating rapidly with the increased traffic volume occurring due to the traffic not using the posted detour for Woodlawn. Not intended as a call to action for doing anything to prevent it just as a warning to prepare for replacing this stretch of road soon.

E. Tenbrink – read an article from NOAA that noted carbon dioxide level increases since the late 19th century.

There was additional open discussion at the end of the meeting centered around issues with mud, slime on sidewalks, valley gutters and roads especially with all the rain that has occurred over the last 1-2 months. Potential to take another look at the sump pump and curb cut policy to better manage water runoff from yards and how to best manage it with city streets and storm water system.

7. Next UAC meeting July 20, 2022 @ 3-5 PM at City Hall Senior Center.

8. Motion by Markley to adjourn, second by Moss. Meeting adjourned at 4:47 PM

Tyler Dehn
UAC Secretary