



City of Sidney, MT  
Water and Sewer Committee Meeting  
August 09, 2022 5:45 PM  
115 2nd Street SE | Sidney, MT 59270

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1. New Business

a. ARPA Minimum Allocation Grant (HB632) Project

Others Present: Mayor Norby, PWD Hintz, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Shanks, Water Commissioner Elletson, Jordan Mayer with Interstate Engineering.

Alderman Koffler opened up the Water/Sewer Committee meeting to further discuss ARPA money from House Bill 632, PWD Hintz stated that currently there is 1.08 million dollars left and this grant would be a 50/50 match. PWD Hintz mentioned that the project he is suggesting would either rehab the current water tower or replace the water tower, Water Commissioner Elletson stated that the water tank is in good shape for the age of the tank but the lead paint will be a challenge to deal with. Jordan with Interstate Engineering said that the application is due by September 1st, 2022 and the money needs to be spent by December 2026. PWD Hintz stated that the current tank hold roughly 300,000 gallons of water and the new tank could hold 750,000 gallons and this water tower would be elevated just like the previous one, PWD Hintz also said with the current population in Sidney this water tower size would be the one we need to get. Jordan also said that there would be a rate increase of \$6.80 on the base rate, and these rates could cover about 2 million in loans, and the total project would cost about 4-4.5 million dollars, this project could be postponed until 2024 but, we don't know how much longer the current tank will last.

Alderwoman Rasmussen stated that if the city doesn't start this project sooner or later, the prices of supplies and equipment will continue to rise and then the project will be more expensive later on. Water Commission Elletson said that he believes replacing the existing water tower would be a better option rather than another rehab job.

Motion made by Koffler, Seconded by Rasmussen.

Voting Yea: Godfrey

PRESENT  
Ken Koffler  
Kysa Rasmussen  
Kali Godfrey

Adjourned at 6:16pm