

MINUTES
LAWTON WATER AUTHORITY SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 26, 2012 - 6:00 P.M.
NEW CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS/AUDITORIUM

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Chairman, Fred L. Fitch. Notice of meeting and agenda were posted on the City Hall notice board as required by law.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Bill Shoemate, Michael Tennis, Jay Burk, George Moses, Richard Zarle, Stanley Haywood, Doug Wells.

ABSENT: Rosemary Bellino-Hall

ALSO PRESENT: Larry Mitchell, City Manager; Frank Jensen, City Attorney; Traci Hushbeck, City Clerk, COL Paul Hossenlopp, Fort Sill Liaison.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 12, 2012.

MOVED by Wells, SECOND by Burk, to approve minutes of June 12, 2012. AYE: Burk, Moses, Zarle, Haywood, Wells, Shoemate, Tennis. NAY: None. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS ITEM:

1. Consider adopting a resolution authorizing increases in water and sewer rates as set forth in Exhibit A of the Resolution and establishing an effective date. Exhibits: Resolution ____ and Exhibit "A".

Wells stated all the discussions they had in budget session were about a water rate increase and he never heard about the sewer rate increase until he got the agenda this week.

Mitchell stated they talked about an increase of 50 cents in the base rate for water and a 6 cent per thousand rate in water and sewer. They did not increase sewer rates per thousand rate last year for sewer. They did not really talk about water and sewer per thousand rate and Councilmember Wells may be correct. The intention was for both water and sewer on a per thousand rate.

MOVED by Moses, SECOND by Haywood, to adopt **Resolution 12-02**. AYE: Moses, Haywood, Tennis, Burk. NAY: Zarle, Wells, Shoemate. MOTION FAILED.

Jensen stated they need five affirmative votes to pass a resolution.

MOVED by Wells to adopt **Resolution 12-02** for water rate increase but not sewer rate increase.

Mayor Fitch stated they would need to go back and redo the budget.

Mitchell stated they would just have to make an amendment on the revenues for the sewer. That revenue would be approximately \$30,000 - \$40,000.

Moses stated he would rather the Finance Director give them the answer to that question. He believes this sewer rate increase was included in the budget deliberations and he would like to know what the deficit would be if they do not approve it.

Mitchell stated the Finance Director is on vacation.

Wells stated he believes it is around \$30,000.

SECOND by Moses.

VOTE ON MOTION: AYE: Haywood, Wells, Tennis, Burk, Moses. NAY: Zarle, Shoemate.
MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further business to consider, the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m. upon motion, second and roll call vote.

FRED L. FITCH, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

TRACI HUSHBECK, SECRETARY