

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES – WATER MEETING-TOWN BOARD-NOVEMBER 9, 2015
4:00 p.m. Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley - Town Supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran – Council Members
Clare Haynes - Town Clerk

Others Present: Michael Parker – Barton & Loguidice
Warren Bader – Town Attorney
Nancy Butler – Bookkeeper

Absent: Chad Whitney – Council Member

CALL TO ORDER:

At 4:00 p.m. water meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss financial questions in reference to the North Shore Water District.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Moran asked to have this meeting to clear up some questions that he has in regards to the North Shore Water District. Currently there is a balance of \$435,752.57 in the North Shore Water District account, Mr. Moran is wondering if we should be doing something with this additional money. Mr. Parker said at time of closing for the loan, the town opted to use the 50% rule. Which means the last payment of the loan can be no more than 50% more than the first payment. This option is usually taken because with water there is a chance for growth in the town so each year the payment goes up slightly. The town decided to start the charge for the North Shore Water District at \$334.00 in hopes there will be enough in savings to avoid a large increase in years to come. The additional funds that are collected in taxes will help to defray the yearly increase, as per the payment schedule the Town received at closing.

Discussion turned to the town of West Monroe and how they pay their portion of the bill, as lead agency the town of Constantia pays the entire bill and get reimbursed by West Monroe. Ms. Butler with the help of the late Mr. Gilkey does invoice West Monroe for their portion, which is 22% of the total bill. Ms. Butler did have a copy of last year's invoice for review. With the passing of Mr. Gilkey the board will now be having a meeting in September to discuss any changes to EDU's this should be done annually.

LITIGATION:

Mr. Bader updated the board on the current litigation involving the North Shore Water District, it is ongoing, the Town is the defendant so we do not press. Not sure of the exact amount that we owe but Mr. Bader feels confident that there is enough left in the loan to cover this lawsuit and attorney fees.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Mr. Warren Hall came into the meeting to discuss a letter that was given to Mr. Bader for approval in regards to unlicensed vehicles at a property in Panther Lake. In the law it says the Highway Superintendent is authorized to remove vehicles. Mr. Colesante is concerned with this, what if we remove and dispose of vehicles that are worth more than we get? Mr. Bader indicated the property owner has been warned, so not on the Town how much we get per vehicle, just keep a log for what is done.

Mr. Lang has now moved his camping trailer to his property on State Route 49, Mr. Hall has told him he has one month left living in this camper on this site. Mr. Lang will not have an additional 120 days.

ADJOURN:

At 5:15pm the meeting adjourned.