

CITY OF COQUILLE
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2019

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Kathi Simonetti, Councilors: Nighswonger, Layton, Rowe, Pinkston, Parker and Wirebaugh

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Chuck Dufner, Public Works Director Kevin Urban, Finance Director Rowe, Police Chief Sanders, and City Recorder Jennifer Stolz

SPECIAL GUESTS: Steve Mayor Engineer for The Dyer Partnership, Garrett Kleiner for Stuntzner Engineering,

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Simonetti called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. DISCUSSION ON THE BOIL WATER ALERT

A build of silt at the top of the reservoir from 50 years ago. Only reason May was an option was because that is when we go from the reservoir to the river. Numerous forest

bought 2 storage tanks, go to MP and get water after they are sanitized. We will place one downtown and one at the high school.

Garret Kleiner Stuntzner Engineering- First place we looked was the timber when we heard about the increase in turbidity. Garret walked everywhere and even used a drone to see what the cause was. We are looking now to the sediment on the top of the reservoir after 50 years and the weather with lots of hard rain and snow. It will be hard to prove but I have not found any indication it was the timber cut.

Steve Major- the Dyer Partnership- Steve walked the reservoir and around was isolated failures but are not enough to create the turbot for the reservoir. Build up of silt with 6 in of rain. Ten years ago we have a similar issue but the levels of turbidity were different then and now the state has gone so low this year. City of MP raw water north fork Summer and Winter. Myrtle Point back in 1998 they installed 4 amniat fitters to remove sediment before it gets to their treatment plan, they use a thicker filter in the winter and finer filter in the summer. This reduces the load on the plant and helps with the treatment. We are working on the Water Master Plan and getting an idea of how deep the silt is on the reservoir. We will present the City with some options. If we use the amniat filters we can use the river year around. The cost of providing four filters is \$600,000.

Public Works Director Urban/Supervisor Ray Doan- Feb 23rd and 24th was heavy rain and the test was done on the 25th and that reading was the high turbidity level. It was from 1-2 then 70, then 60. As soon as we get a reading of under 1. we can lift. We in house test every day but once a month we send to the state and they test and verify we are not putting out dirty water. Raining while we are on a boiler order is good because we can see if it's going to affect the levels. Ray said he didn't want to lift the order then it rains and dirtied the water and have to do it all over again.

CODE RED is on the website to sign up and also citizens can come in and sign up with the Water Dept or if you are signed up make sure we have your current number.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Janet Hanna 635 N. Cedar- She was confused as to why we need a good rain when they said rain was what caused the problem. Steve Major said that was a huge amount of rain that caused the problem but we need a little rain to see if the levels go up so we don't have to call the boil order off and then back on again after it rains.

Lowell Thomas 854 N Elliot- We can see in the future that this will occur again because we can't dig around the reservior and remove it like we could at the hospital and the pool.

Brandy Olmstead 1794 Grape Court- Why weren't these posted on the doors Friday instead of in the mail on Wednesday. wanted to know why we mailed

the notices and did not go door to door and hang them? Kelli answered we followed the State guide lines and they sent out the ORS and we used those guidelines. The State said it has to be hand delivered and if you look in the ORS hand delivered can be mailed.

Sara Slingland 114 Hwy 42- How does this affect our health? Likely hood is very minimal and they are treating the water fully. Disinfection is just as high than before, if there is material in the water that took up the chlorine and there was no more chlorine needed. The notice was for tubidity their humbers exceeded their limits only. wanted the water issue explained to her and make sure she wasn't showering in sewage.

Danessa Raines 290 N. Central- Today I just lost \$1,000 in reservations today due to this boil order. She wanted to know why Kevin didn't address the issue at hand and why Chuck did. She looked on line for a consumer report and there is no 2018. Kevin said they put the next years. Every four hours every day turbidity levels are taken. How do you get that report for the consumer report? Kevin said CCR a year from now when your 2019 comes out this incident will be in the CCR, if we go over a level we have to report it, not always a violation but anything that has increased, will be reported in the CCR.

Paul Reconzone Continued to go higher over a 2 week period. Suggestion that if we do foresee in the future we let business's know it may happen

Jay Westram Cut off a young woman, economic effect with this water boil. 220 for dishwasher and its not anything business here have, this is an economic event for restaurants. There are many suffering from this alert.

Eldon Rollins 985 N. Collier- Are there any records what the bed of the reservoir is made of? 1953 reservoir was constructed. It's possible the material or soil underneath may be made of this silt. Be good to get some core samples.

Susan Shamrife 86 N Central- What happens in May? Health Dept asks us a date that we know that this will be over. May is the farthest out because that is when we switch to the river for water.

Debbie Shrum 1073 N. Dean- She has lived in the same house for 47 years and did not get a call from code red. Not one notice. Not even in the mail. I have a home phone and a cell phone and have signed up for code red.

Lee Wright 117 N. Johnson- He heard both pumps on the river were down. They had one repaired, then found the other was in need of repair.

Robert Beers 7492 Crest Acres- Kept track of weather back in 1996 when the state flooded the highest dec was 19.78, when we have extreme high rain falls. The average of 50 years is 7 and from this February it was 16.8.

Herb Edmonds 1005 N. 14th

Harold Brice

Shawn Jennings 1585 N. Dean

5. ADJOURN @ 9:00 P.M.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
City Recorder