



Council Committee Notes - Water/Sewer

Date: March 2, 2011 **Time:** 8:30 AM **Location:** Town Hall **Chair:** Councilmember John Smith (absent) **Attendees:** Mayor Raymond Booth, Town Manager Tom Saunders, WWTP Chief Operator Pat Chenoweth, Field Utilities Superintendent James Seagle, Bill Rosenbaum – Progress Engineers

Visitors: none

Notes on Discussions:

1. The Committee briefly discussed Council's authorization to publicize a public hearing on a code amendment to allow private irrigation wells. No action was taken.
2. The Committee discussed WWTP blower noise complaints/letters from Crandall and Umphlett and progress in identifying potential remedies. Pat Chenoweth reported that she is awaiting cost info for concrete noise barriers.
3. TM Saunders reported that he is working with staff to flesh out FY2012 CIP budget items from this department.
4. The Committee discussed the feasibility of contracting out the replacement of conventional water meters with radio-read meters in order to speed up the conversion process. Saunders and Seagle were tasked with getting estimates of the cost.
5. FYI Items:
 - a. MBR/Grace Hill project is on schedule, both at the pump station and along Mary Ball Road.
 - b. Mercer Place water line work will commence in two or three weeks and should take no longer than six weeks, finishing well before it is required.
 - c. Harvey Lane pump replacement is complete.
 - d. Walnut Ave leak fix is still pending.
 - e. School Street leak repair awaits pavement.
 - f. Bill Rosenbaum reported conversations with our DEQ permit writer and predicted that we will be receiving a draft permit soon.

Recommendations to Council:

Recommended for further study: