Budget Advisory Committee Meeting – October 14, 2024 Called to order at 4:00 p.m.
Attendees: Management - Ron Beard, Steve Baert
Committee Members – Mark Canfield, Dave Spinney, Denise Bujalski, Bill Mitchell
Zoom: Jack's I-Phone

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 by Chairman Mark Canfield and roll call was held. An amendment was made to the 10/7/24 minutes by Mr. Canfield. Mr. Spinney then made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, and all voted to accept as amended. The minutes of 1/8/24 were read by Ms. Bujalski, Mr. Spinney motioned to accept, Mr. Canfield seconded and the minutes were approved by all.

The committee moved on to discussion of the current water budget variances with Mr. Baert (water and roads department lead). Mr. Spinney commended Mr. Baert for keeping the water expenses in line with the budget. It was noted there were no major concerning variances.

Mr. Baert gave an update on water infrastructure done this year to include:

1. Completion of Pegwood project to include new meters.
2. New meters at Sunset tank.
3. Cleaning of Well #2.
4. There was a total of 14 leaks repaired.

Mr. Baert then talked about goals for 2025 to include:

1. Security fence needed at the ski bowl tank as some vandalism had occurred in the past year.
2. Four meters at various points in the system to help measure inflow and/or outflow of water.
3. Replacement of piping on Liberty Lane servicing the wells.
4. Leak detection process will be done paid for by a grant.
5. GIS mapping for location of valves.
6. Purchase of mudsucker/vacuum at an estimated cost of $30,000 to $40,000.
7. Purchase of power broom at an estimated cost of $1,000.
8. Need for a roller to compact surfaces after work is completed on water lines. This led to discussion on possibly using equipment already owned by Campton and/or Thornton instead of purchasing our own.

Pressing challenges discussed for 2025 is the need for guidance from engineering and completion of the water master plan and then the funding that will be needed for water system upgrades.

Mr. Baert was asked for projected expenses by category for review for next week's meeting. He will also be discussing the road portion of next year's budget.

The meeting was open to public comment and Jack stated he had no questions. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Spinney, seconded by Mr. Mitchell. All approved and the meeting was adjourned at 5:15.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Bujalski