

DATE: March 5, 1987
TO: Jim Shanks
FROM: Greg Trainor, Utility Manager
SUBJ: Water Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 5, 1987

Present: Jim Shanks, Greg Trainor, Paul Nelson, Leroy Kirkhart, Bill McCurry

The letter to Mayor Ragsdale from Gary Pfander was discussed concerning water deposit refunds. Sandi Glaze's response was also discussed. It was the feeling of the Utility Committee that a plan should be developed to refund these deposits over a period of time and in a manner that would not burden the Utility Billing Section. Trainor will meet with Sandi and discuss this idea and report back to Council.

2. The Utility Committee was brought up to date concerning the Sewer Bond refunding program and the purpose of the refund. The Committee felt that the idea was worth pursuing that the Bonds be refunded with the proceeds (\$300,000.00.) being used to fund small sewer line extensions that have potential customers that will eventually tap onto the line. The fund would not construct these lines free of charge, but only provide the up front financing to get the line in with those tapping on paying the construction costs when they tap onto the line. Discussion and involvement by the City Council will occur as the proposal for refunding is further developed.
3. Several water sales proposals were reviewed for the Committee. These were received by the Utility Department over the past couple of weeks: Sidney Lloyd concerning Highline Ditch shares and John Whiting concerning Deep Creek, Reservoir shares. Both items were discussed. The prices asked and the value received were questioned. Both proposals will be evaluated further given the Water Fund's needs and budget.
4. The Utility Committee will sit as the Council's representative on the adhoc committee being formed to review the implications of the Grand Valley Water unification study. This committee will have representatives from Ute as well as Clifton to discuss how the unification would be implemented and the issues that need to be resolved by the City. The utility committee will report back to the Council as appropriate as the discussion progresses.
5. The Denver system-wide EIS was discussed very briefly. Comments were presented by the City to the Army Corps of Engineers on the EIS. It was felt by the committee that the valley needs to speak with one voice concerning water matters that affect the valley.
6. Fire hydrant sales were discussed. The Utility Department will prepare appropriate ordinance changes for the Council's review that will allow sales of water from hydrants for construction type purposes.

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