



and what processes have been done and what the future processes will be happening with the project.

The public hearing was opened on the increase of water and sewer rates.

An Elwood citizen asked how many customers are currently receiving a bill from the Elwood Water Utility. Buzz Krohn, from O W Krohn & Associates, LLP, stated between 3200-3700 customers. The citizen also asked what improvements have been made currently at the plant. Mayor Arnold explained a few things to help lower the rate and that the new plant will increase capacity.

Another citizen wanted to know if the new plant will have less odor and foam that comes from the plant. Lou explained that it will decrease a lot because of all the new processes.

John, Elwood Citizen, asked about the 2005 Waste Water project. Buzz Krohn explained that project and the time line of paying it off.

Councilman, Tim Roby, asked Jim Wilson if the increased rate money can be put into a special fund and it is only for the project. Jim Wilson said yes.

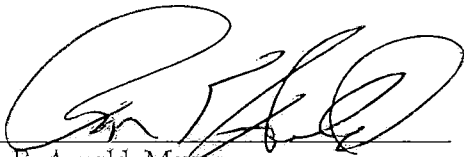
Another Elwood citizen asked if the Yarling Edition surcharge will change. Buzz Krohn explained no.

Rhonda Lurtsema, asked about the money spent from the utility department that was not for utility expenses. Councilman, Tim Roby, explained we are addressing this in July's council meeting.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2170** – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE SEWAGE WORKS OF THE CITY OF ELWOOD. Savage made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2170; seconded by Rice. All in favor. Ordinance 2170 read title only. Savage made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2170 roll call vote; seconded by Rice. Roll call vote: Boston – aye, Everson – aye, Jones asked for one more clarification the increased amount of money derived will only be spent on utility expenses, correct? Jim Wilson explained yes. Jones – aye, Rice – aye, Roby – aye, Savage – abstained. Ordinance 2170 passed.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2171** – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE WATER DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF ELWOOD. Jones made a motion to read and consider Ordinance 2171; seconded by Rice. All in favor. Ordinance 2171 read title only. Savage made a motion to vote on Ordinance 2171 roll call vote; seconded by Rice. Roll call vote: Boston – aye, Everson – aye, Jones – aye, Rice – aye, Roby – aye, Savage – abstained. Ordinance 2170 passed.

Savage made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Boston. All in favor; meeting adjourned.

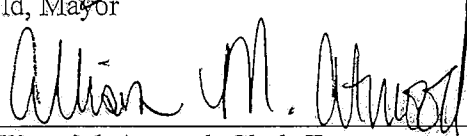


Ron E. Arnold, Mayor



Council President/President Pro-Tem

ATTEST:



Allison M. Atwood, Clerk-Treasurer