

05/12/2022

The Special Joint Meeting of the Stuart City Council and Stuart Municipal Utility Board was called to order on the above date at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Cook and Utility Board Chairman Gulbranson. Present were Council Members Kalbach, Kirkpatrick, Doely (over phone), and Renslow (over phone). Present were Utility Board Members Belden, Jones, Russell, and Avey. Also present were City Administrator Ashour, Utility Superintendent Howey, Deputy Clerk Morgan, Ben Stouffer, Trevor Nelson, Bob Cook, and Matt Funk.

Rescue Director Sean Bovinett made a presentation to the Council regarding wage increases for part-time rescue employees. Sean informed the Council that he would like to increase the wages of the part-time paramedics \$1.00 per hour and the part-time EMTs \$0.50 per hour effective July 1, 2022.

Moved by Morgan, seconded by Kalbach to approve the wage increases for part-time rescue employees as presented by Rescue Director Sean Bovinett as follows:

Paramedics - \$1.00 per hour increase
EMTs- \$0.50 per hour increase

Effective July 1, 2022

Roll Call: Ayes: Kalbach, Morgan, Doely, Renslow
Nays: Kirkpatrick

Motion Carried

City and Utility Financial Advisor Chip Schultz made a presentation to the Council and the Board regarding the potential financing of the Utility Water System Improvements Project and discussed the potential use of TIF to finance the project.

The City Council and the Stuart Municipal Utility Board discussed the possibility of using TIF to finance the Utility Water System Improvements Project.

Moved by Gulbranson, seconded by Avey to remain independent from the City, not use TIF to finance the Utility Water Systems Improvements Project, to continue to use the UDSA financing, and to also review the possibility of using TIF next year for the project.

Roll Call: Ayes: Jones, Gulbranson, Russell, Avey
Nays: Belden

Motion Carried

Adjournment at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Deputy Clerk Morgan.

Dick Cook, Mayor

John Gulbranson, Utility Board Chairman

Ashraf Ashour, City Administrator