

Town Council Special Session Minutes
November 21, 2011

Bert Wells
Dean Geracimos
Frank Vari
Carolyn Stup, Tom Yeager's Office

Rich Taylor
Ron Francis
Frank Hill, Mayor

Audience: L Adams, J Highby, E Kirk,
Artesian: D Spacht, J Schreppler

Mayor Hill brought the meeting to order at 6:30pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: Bert Wells made the motion seconded by Dean Geracimos to open the special session to discuss the Artesian Contract and the amendments which were provided to the contract. All in favor, motion carried.

The Mayor was asked if he was open to signing the contract today after his discussion with Commission Wells. He is not.

The Mayor put in a call today to Ms Taylor regarding how we could handle a change in the specifications in the water Artesian was going to sell our Town. A message was left and she has not returned the call.

John Schreppler from Artesian stated that if Maryland were to change a standard making Artesian water not compatible, such as if Maryland prohibited the use of fluoride, (and Delaware mandates it) it would be expensive to remove that fluoride; and our position is that the Maryland customers would have to pay for that treatment. I can understand the Mayor's concern. You don't want that to happen or have that additional expense on your side of the interconnection, but that's just the reality. Hopefully if something like that would be worked on in Annapolis we could work together to have it grandfathered or something. The States do have the authority to put in stricter standards and sometimes that does happen.

MOTION: A motion was made by Bert Wells that since the Mayor is not willing to sign the first addendum to the Interconnection Agreement, I would like Council to execute the agreement with Artesian as amended. The motion was seconded by Ron Francis. All in favor, motion carried.

Note: Artesian would like Council to give us a letter referring to the Charter that gives the Council the authority so they (Artesian) is comfortable before we all spend a lot of money and not have a valid contract.

MOTION: Ron Francis made a motion, seconded by Frank Vari to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted

D. Valerie Walls, Clerk/Treasurer

Frank S. Hill, Mayor