

**CITY OF GILBERT
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2015
2:00 P.M.**

The Special City Council meeting occurred because a quorum of the City Council was present at the City of Gilbert Project Meeting.

Members present included Mayor Rob Kutsi, Councilors Robert Pontinen and John Skalko, City Engineer John Jamnick, Public Works Operations Director Sam Lautigar, Lead Water Operator Jack Bradach, Erik Alafita from MN Power and Clerk/Treasurer Debra Sakrison.

The IRRRB has released the new forms for the next cycle of grants, they are due August 31, 2015. There was discussion regarding the short window to apply.

Erik Alafita of Minnesota Power said their crew has identified the issue with the electric feed on Summit Street west of Ohio Avenue. The main line has several degraded because it has been hit so many times it needs to be re-bored.

There was discussion about the well house at the water plant down by the lake. MN Rural Water may have some grant funding available to help with the costs to seal the wells. Also the trough in the accelerator at the water plant has severely deteriorated due to the use of sulfuric acid. The most recent quote is for \$28,000 to re-line the trough in two phases. There is a problem at the waste water plant in one of the electric panels. The entire panel needs to be shut down to repair and that will impact the blowers. The sewer line issues in Ore-Be-Gone Court has been repaired. Damage was caused by work done previously by a contractor from Pike River area.

There are multiple issues with the city's fire sirens and only one was in working order.

Engineer Jamnick discussed the bids received for the two projects. Both bids came in much higher than estimated and the grants we have been awarded are not sufficient to cover the costs so John will work with the apparent low bidder to see if costs can be reduced by using different pipe material.

Engineer Jamnick also discussed the proposed gravel pit.

No action was taken.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Debra Sakrison, Clerk/Treasurer

Attest:

Robert Kutsi, Mayor