

Town of Stevensville Committee of the Whole
Minutes
Thursday, March 16th, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Stevensville Town Council
APPROVED
Date 3-23-2017

Council for the Town of Stevensville along with Mayor Crews came together at Council Chambers for a Committee of the Whole meeting. Mayor Crews called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken and Councilpersons Barker, Floyd and Michalson were all present. Councilmember Holcomb was absent. Members of the public in attendance included John Anderson, Joe Moore and Bill and Jan Perrin.

Council held discussion regarding:

1. Utility Billing Reduced Rate Program

Mayor reviewed Council's previous discussions regarding reducing the fees collected and terminating the program. He then read a breakdown of the program. (attached)

Council discussed terminating the collection of funds and running the program until the funds run out; legality of the program; using voluntary donations by having a donation line on the bill; reducing the rate of collection; keeping the program in place but "suspending" the collection of payment; using the remaining funds for water main leakage repairs; 6 residents that have refused to pay the \$1.52 and those delinquent balances; program survey results; and future water rate increases.

Further discussion was held regarding the program and how to move forward. Council concurred to have the Mayor submit questions regarding the program to the Towns Attorney; 1) ramifications of terminating collection of funds and using the remaining funds for the program; 2) the legality of the entire program; and 3) use of program funds for anything else.

Councilmember Michalson made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Barker seconded the motion and all voted "aye".

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.

APPROVE:



Jim Crews, Mayor

ATTEST:



Stacy Bartlett, Town Clerk