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CARLOS CLERK REPORT SEPTEMBER 2023

- 1) Meters read 8/31/23. Water bills were done and sent September 10th. Thanks again to Jackie Dokken for filling in for me while we made our annual trip out to SD to see kids and grandkids. Late Fees this month were \$414.72. Next week I will be sending out shut off letters to the accounts over 60 days past due.
- 2) This year, according to the State of MN our population is estimated at 504. This is significant because any city of 500 or more must have a Public Hearing for Truth in Taxation. We have not had to do this previously because we were always under 500. This involves having a public meeting to present our Tax Levy for the 2024 and answer any questions regarding it. This meeting must be held between November 24 and December 28 at 6pm or later. It may be part of our December Council meeting if we choose. We have to notify Douglas county by September 30th.
- 3) We had a meeting on Tuesday where the Charter/Spectrum folks gave a presentation on the new Fiber Lines they have installed. There was quite a turn out. Today is the first day Carlos residents can start signing up for their services.
- 4) The League of MN Cities has sent a new agreement for the Regional Safety Group. These are Safety meetings that are put on about once a month for city employees to attend. The League pays 55% of the cost of these meetings. By participating in this group we get a break on our insurance.
- 5) Michael Dolan is retiring October 13; thus the name is changing to Thornton, Bowen, Klecker & Burkhammer, P.A. and they need a new contract agreement signed.
- 6) We have received a Donation from the Carlos Lions Club for \$200. There is a Resolution to pass accepting this donation. The Carlos Lions have requested that we give a \$140 sponsorship to Carlos Cougars Baseball.

- 7) I did not have time to watch the Cannabis Webinar from the LMC as of yet. I plan to get to that next week.
- 8) I have been working on sending RFPs to local MN audit firms which work with government audits. There have been several responses stating they do not have the capacity to take on another client. I did get one response that has additional questions that I will be getting back to.
- 9) I received an "Engagement Request" from the MDH for the Lead Service Line Inventory Project. We are to approve or respond with edits.