

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who participated in the April 4th Vote on the water bond issue. I know that this issue weighed heavily on everyone's minds from a financial point of view and that it was not an easy decision. The Board, staff and myself would like to thank those who offered differing points of view as well as assurance that this issue needs to continue to be a priority. We will continue to work closely with our citizens and partners on state and federal levels as well as private entities.

The City moving forward will continue to work to locate financial resources to protect, repair and upgrade our system. Please understand that our water system is operating as it is supposed to and is providing clean drinking water from a reliable source. However, our system is aging and will no doubt require major upgrades in the near future.

It is my goal to look into all options at our disposal, with that said there are items that will need to be addressed immediately and require the city to evaluate current water rates, since outside funding sources may not be available. Additionally, our staff will be transitioning as we move to the future. I ask that all citizens show patience and common decency in addressing our staff as they do an excellent job of balancing the day to day operations as well as progressively investigating options for the betterment of our community, infrastructure, and quality of life for our citizens.

I look forward to having conversations with any and all seeking information on our community and how it operates.

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