Bluff Town Council Work Session with Bluff Service Area
Wednesday May 15, 2019
Bluff Community Center at 9:00 a.m.
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## **Draft Minutes**

Roll Call Mayor Ann K. Leppanen, Luanne Hook, Brant Murray, Jim Sayers, Linda Sosa BSA Chairman Wes Shook, Jackie Warren, Bill Lincoln, Ginny Burns, Mark Bond

The meeting started at 9:07 a.m.

## 1. Bluff Service Area Trustees Plan for Moving Responsibilities, Assets, Property, and Debt into the Town of Bluff structure

Leppanen stated the purpose of this meeting is the need to figure out the transfer of water rights and property from the BSA to the Town. Shook reported he has been working lawyer Rachel Anderson on transfer documentation. She needs a map showing Town, BSA, and BWW boundaries and information about easements, right of ways, and parcels numbers. These things will be deeded to the Town. Leppanen has information and copies of paperwork for easements. Hook suggested the 1996 water engineering study by Jones and Demille should have needed information. Anderson has the water rights information. The BWW does delivery of culinary water; it does not have ownership. BSA will work with the Council and the Council should take the lead with the BWW.

2. Town of Bluff Council Members Plan for Accepting the Bluff Service Area Trustees' proposals Leppanen expects Anderson will work on the wording and steps for transfer.

## 3. Discussion of Time Line

Shook would like transfer of the water rights by July 1, 2019 and they need to transfer by or shortly after then for the Town to be able to receive the \$96,300 block grant for the 50-years plan water study. The next BSA meeting will include an agenda resolution for the transfer of water and physical property. The BSA will have a Public Hearing May 29<sup>th</sup> and vote at their June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Council will look into debts and grants that the BWW is carrying.

## 4. Town Council's Request for the Bluff Service Area's Support for the Town's Acquisition of the old Bluff Elementary School

Leppanen asked the BSA to consider writing a letter of support to the School Board for the Town ownership of the "old" elementary school. It would be used for the Town, art and culture, and services for the public. Shook suggested creating an operational plan and Leppanen suggested the Council start making contact with agencies, such as firewood permits and DMV services. Adjourn 10:35 a.m.