

MINUTES
PLAINVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
Virtual/ZOOM Meeting
MONDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Discussion with Office of Consumer Counsel regarding Valley Water Rate Increase Request**
- III. Adjournment**

I. Call to Order

Chairwoman Pugliese called the Special Meeting to order at 6:06 pm. Also, in attendance were, Council members Morante, Gnazzo, Rocco, Underwood, and Wazorko, Town Manager Lee, Assistant Town Manager Daskal, Town Attorney Mastrianni and Town Clerk Porrini. Vice Chairwoman Tompkins was absent.

Also, in attendance via zoom Representatives from the Office of Consumer Counsel were Andrew Minkowski, Richard Sobolewski, Dave Thompson, and Tyra Peluso.

II. Discussion began with Office of Consumer Counsel regarding Valley Water Rate Increase Request.

Mr. Sobolewski and Mr. Thompson discussed an overview of the various projects and investments (main & service replacements) finished over the years that may be a reason for Valley Water's request for rate increase.

The Town Manager stated the proposed rate increase is not at the greatest time for most customers. Many residents have contacted his office with concerns of paying more money for poor quality water.

Chairwoman Pugliese reiterated the timing of the rate increase would be difficult for most residents as well as the quality issue not being addressed.

Mr. Sobolewski, Mr. Thompson, and Ms. Peluso encouraged the Town Council members to file comments directly to PURA, this will assist the OCC to find submitted comments easily. Docket No. 20-11-14 should be referenced when submitting comments.

Town Manager informed the Town Council that he would be submitting an opening statement to the public hearing, scheduled for Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Chairwoman Pugliese emphasized the need to utilize multiple media resources for public outreach to remind and inform residents of the rate case public hearing. Their input is crucial.

III. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cindy A. Porrini". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cindy A. Porrini
Plainville Town Clerk
& Clerk of the Town Council