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Oriental Water Advisory Board
August 16, 2024
Meeting Minutes

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August 16, 2024: Town Hall 9:00am

Attendees: Daniel Early, Steve Drew, Jeff Sanders, Commissioner Bonnie Crosser and Manager Diane Miller

- A. TRC Project Update. Reviewed the revised mapping. Noted color coding of the size of the pipes. Suggested to schedule an in person meeting to review the mapping and discuss variances in mapping with TRC. Additionally, reviewed the results of the hydrant flow testing.
- B. Water meter testing: appears the 3/4 to 3/4 meters made a slight improvement in water pressure. Installed two (2), holding the third. Existing meter 3/4 to 5/8.
- C. Copper Testing results: County and Oriental experiencing same low level of copper in discharged testing. County testing new chemicals and possible filtration options. Oriental sent a sample with chemical raise of the PH level - waiting on results. Oriental in talks with TRC on possible other options to lower copper levels. Both County and Oriental have sent Remission Letters against first fine. EPA recently changed standard for copper levels.
- D. ORC License; State Board meets quarterly. Oriental application verification for ORC not finalized due to timing. Paper work has been submitted - waiting on State Board Meeting for review and approval.
- E. Funding: Revised Resolution and Ordinance completed for the additional funds. Filing paper work with the DEQ. Requesting assistance from TRC to complete the DEQ permitting survey. Sanders suggested to submit first reimbursement request ASAP to work the "bugs" out of the process.

Next Steps:

- 1. Schedule meeting with TRC.
- 2. Next meeting Friday, 9/13/24; 9:00am Town Hall