



Town Hall Meeting

City of Olney

Do You Know What Makes Olney Great?



In August 1978, our City found we had a limited supply of water and facing a severe drought. Drought spelled a death sentence for our community of about 5,000 souls.

This is where the citizens of Olney rose to the occasion, banded together and volunteered their blood, sweat and tears to lay 14 miles of pipeline bringing water from Lake Kickapoo to Lake Cooper.



Agenda

- Current State of Water Treatment Plant
- History of the Process to Select Engineering Firm
- Engineer Presentation
- Introduce Financial Advisory Committee
- Bond Counsel Presentation
- Current Water Rate
- Summary
- Questions & Answers
- Adjourn

Current State of Water Treatment Plant



- The original Water Treatment Plant was built in 1928 and still fully operational.
- Upgrades were made in 1954, 1986 and the last major investment was made in 2000.
- The Water Treatment Plant produces approximately 150 million gallons a year to service our community.
- Clean high quality water is produced to this day with the dedication of following strict [Texas Commission on Environmental Quality \(TCEQ\)](#) guidelines by the Water Treatment Department

Current State of Water Treatment Plant



Kickapoo
Reservoir

Needs a new
cement base

Current State of Water Treatment Plant

Intake

Needs new roof,
windows and
widen walkway,
update pumps



Current State of Water Treatment Plant



Flash Mix & Slow
Mix Chamber

Concrete is coming
loose

Current State of Water Treatment Plant

Water Trough

Leaking at joining
points and
repaired multiple
times



Current State of Water Treatment Plant



Hatch to climb under slow mix room – it is submerged in water and concrete is deteriorating



Current State of Water Treatment Plant

Slow Mix Chamber

Concrete peeling from
surface



Current State of Water Treatment Plant



Trough from Slow
Mix to Delivery Ditch
patched where the
building and trough
meet

Current State of Water Treatment Plant

Trough



History of the Process

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

- Request for Qualifications was initiated in January 2020 and was posted in local newspapers and on City website.
- A site visit was held on February 5, 2020 with 5 engineering firms in attendance.
- A copy of the original RFQ can be found on our City website:
<https://www.cityofolneytx.com/looking/page/surface-water-treatment-plant-rfq>

History of the Process

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

- All Request for Qualifications were due at City Hall by February 21, 2020 with 7 engineering firms represented:
 - Kimley – Horn
 - Freese & Nichols
 - eHT
 - Criado & Associates
 - Pacheco & Koch
 - Biggs & Mathews
 - Corlett, Probst & Boyd

History of the Process

Scoring Matrix

- Once RFQ's were received, a committee consisting of 5 individuals reviewed each package and scored them according to the matrix outlined in the original RFQ request:

Firm General Description	10
Past Experience	20
Capacity to Perform	10
Team Organization Chart	10
Project Approach	30
Schedule	10
Resumes	10
TOTAL	100

History of the Process



Engineering Firm Interviews

- The top 4 scored engineering firms were invited for an interview at regularly scheduled Council Meetings:

Corlett, Probst & Boyd	09/14/2020 @ 6pm
eHT	09/28/2020 @ 6pm
Pacheco Koch	11/09/2020 @ 6pm
Freese & Nichols	Declined to Attend

History of the Process

Treatment Plant Options

Package Plants

- Produces approximately 500,000 gallons / day
 - City of Olney produces approximately 1,000,000 gallons daily, requiring we purchase 2
- There is \$294,000 worth rehab and preparation to the existing structures prior to adding package plants
- \$5,094,000 Each = \$10,188,000 for 2 Package Plants
- Longevity: Approximately 20 years
- Total Estimated Cost: \$10,188,000

*Current Treatment Plant Project presented by Engineer

Engineer Presentation

- We will add Dean's presentation here
- Rudy previously mentioned that there is limited number of engineering firms who specialize in water infrastructure, we did have 7 firms show interest.

Introduce Financial Advisory Committee

- A Financial Advisory Committee was called for on June 29, 2021 requesting the participation of the community to review the financing options for the Water Treatment Plant.
- You can find the original request on Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=4094716253938461&id=2144423665634406

We would like to thank our Financial Advisory Committee for their time and efforts during this process:

Tommy Kimbro
Dylan Ballard
Bob McQuerry

Sonja Gray
Phil Jeske
Clancy Myers

Jackie Griffith
Megan Widner
Oscar Munoz

Bond Counsel Presentation

- Certificate of Obligation for Municipalities
- The cost of this project is not out of range for this size of community
- Consider interest rate difference between now and January vs. after May election (7 months)
- **How would inflation affect the overall cost?**
- Should the bond be voted down, what does the future look like?
 - 3 Year Moratorium on Certificates of Obligation
 - **What happens if the Water Treatment Plant fails?**

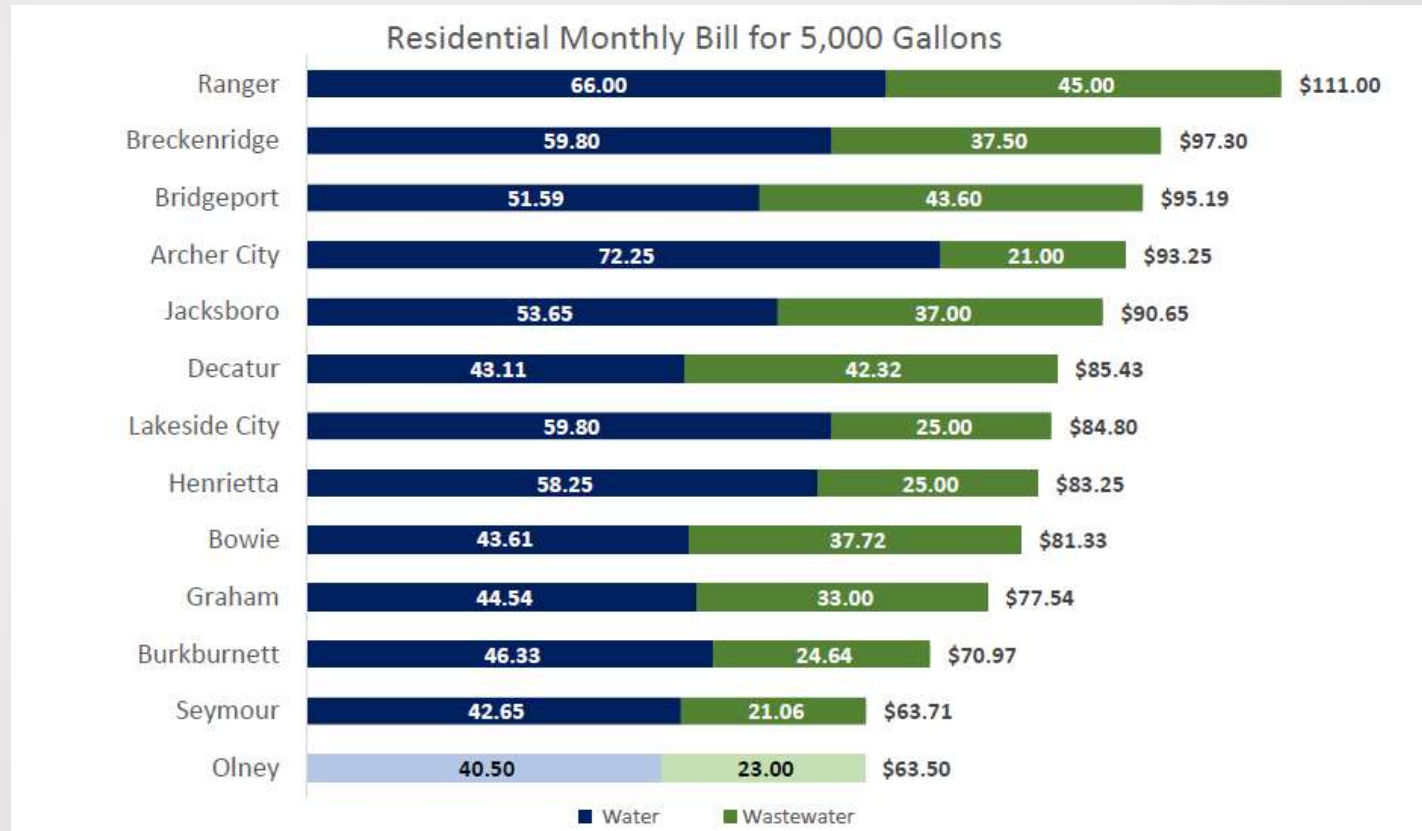
Current Water Rate

- Our current base water rate is \$27.50 for inside City limit water service up to 1,000 gallons consumption.
 - Seymour - \$27.50
 - Archer City - \$43.00
 - Lakeside City - \$46.00
 - Megargel - \$49.00
- All cities mentioned above have varying rates once consumption exceeds 1,000 gallons.
- Considering a surcharge to become effective January 2022.
- The City is conducting a formal Water Rate Study.

Current Water Rate

Area Water and Sewer Charges

A recent Water Rate Study of our area shows average residential customer bill based on 5,000 gallon consumption.



Summary

- Working on this project for 2 years.
- We want to be proactive and not reactive.
- Heard from engineers & bond counsel.

Summary

How will this affect me?

City of Olney
AC COUNT STATEMENT

ACCOUNT NUMBER	BILL FROM	BILL TO		
	10/4/2021	11/3/2021		
PREVIOUS BALANCE		PAYMENTS		
\$97.68		\$97.68		
Type	Amount	Previous	Current	Usage
WTR	\$40.50	1455	1460	5000
GRBI	\$18.92			
SWR	\$23.00			
WSC	\$1.50			
WWSC	\$1.50			
TAXI	\$1.56			
TOTAL		\$86.98		
DUE NOW		\$86.98		
PAY AFTER 12/10/2021		\$100.03		
KEEP THIS STUB FOR YOUR RECORDS				

Detach and retain left side for your records.

The average consumption of 5,000 gallons per residence with a shared dumpster runs \$86.98.

With a 100% increase on the **BASE WATER RATE** alone brings the average consumption of 5,000 gallons per residence with a shared dumpster to **\$114.48**.

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Questions & Answers

- Speakers will be provided with an opportunity to speak during this time period and they must observe a three-minute time limit.

Adjourn

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