CITY OF CHEVIOT PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT May 13, 2014

President of Council, Deborah Slaughter, called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. In attendance were Council members Jim Sunderhaus, Kitty Zech, and Dennis Dinkelacker. Also in attendance were Safety/Service Director Tom Braun, and Don Marshall of Eagle Energy. Jeff Baker, Bill Clark, Amy Richter Jim Martin and Chief Lally later joined the meeting.

Mr Marshall explained the sequence of events and reasons why the city does not have an electric aggregation agreement. He cited the shutdown of power plants due to EPA regulations, severe winter weather which affected the supply and demand and the small amount of stored energy, escalating capacity and wholesale energy prices, a Supreme Court decision, and delays by the other consortium members. Cheviot had signed the Master Service Agreement with a price of 5.68 (current price is 4.55), however, the wholesale supplier, Perigree (who had submitted the lowest RFP bid) had not signed it and backed out of its commitment.

All aggregation customers will revert to Duke on their next meter reading. The current Duke price is 6.4. Since rates are higher in the summer, the city and the consortium, of 9 communities will wait until about September to rebid. The other communities will be encouraged to pass an ordinance similar to Cheviot's which is more flexible and allows their administrator the authority to act quickly. A proposed Master Service Agreement will be attached to the RFP.

Council and citizens may contact Eagle Energy with any questions.

The committee meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Deborah M. Slaughter

Council President