MAJOR FUNCTION

This is responsible administrative, technical, and public contact work in administering a program of reviewing, monitoring, and investigating fluctuating water consumption and billing records to minimize both actual and potential losses in revenues to Water and Sewer; or work in administering a program in Stormwater that involves reviewing, monitoring, and assessing stormwater fees based on analysis of impervious areas.

Water and Sewer: Work involves discovering fluctuating water consumption charges, correcting sewer access fees, initiating correct bill payments or reimbursements, and recommending remedial action to improve reporting, billing and collection. Functions as department liaison in disputes with the public and other government agencies over billing. Monitors all new commercial construction for correct codes, systems charges, metering, et cetera.

Stormwater: Work involves administering a program for continuous development and maintenance of the stormwater utility fee process and database. Also, work involves investigating and determining impervious area(s) located on property and performing administrative work to insure information is correct in the utility database and the customer billing system. Supervises workers as required to assist in the accuracy of the information. Discusses and assists in resolving customer issues regarding the accuracy of impervious area(s) on the site. Work with owners to assure that appropriate organizations receive the proper billing assessment in accordance with the Stormwater Ordinance.

Work is performed under the general supervision of an administrative superior. Work is performed with considerable latitude for the use of independent judgment. Work is reviewed through conferences, written reports, and observation for the achievement of desired results.

ESSENTIAL AND OTHER IMPORTANT JOB DUTIES

Essential Duties

Water and Sewer: Analyzes reports and consumption histories to determine charges and to calculate amount of water consumed. Reviews Customer Information System (CIS) reports to ensure accurate assessment of appropriate fees. Examines meters to determine if appropriate type is installed. Conducts on-site investigations to assess consumption. Refers cases involving unauthorized use of water and sewer service for prosecution. Reviews meter performance and reports to ensure accuracy, recommending appropriate action. Reviews customer reports to ensure appropriate surcharges and accuracy of codes and negotiates utility bill corrections. Reviews issues concerning all sewer customers that have private water systems. Inspects and monitors contaminated groundwater sites that are discharging into sanitary sewer system. Monitors all new subdivisions to ascertain conformity to the Talquin/City utility territorial agreement. Inspects new construction as to air condition condense discharge to sewer and sets method of revenue collection. Monitors fire and water detection meters as to diversion to potable water and coordinates with customer as to billing or removal. Performs related work as required.

Stormwater: Analyzes reports, documents and sketches of measured sites to calculate amount of impervious area(s) on the site. Reviews Customer Information System (CIS) reports to ensure accurate assessment of appropriate fees and that those fees are allocated to the appropriate customer. Supervises workers as required to assist in the accuracy of the information. Discusses and assists in resolving customer issues regarding the accuracy of their impervious area on the site. Work with owners to assure that the appropriate organizations receive the proper billing assessment in accordance with the Stormwater Ordinance. Performs related work as required.
Other Important Duties
Recommends strategies to improve revenue gains or to assure consistent and accurate impervious area records in Stormwater. Conducts research, develops, and provides information for demographic analysis for system needs and expansion. Performs public relations functions such as at town meetings, plant tours, and school educational program. Performs related work as required.

DESI RABLE QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge, Abilities and Skills
Considerable knowledge of automated information system as applied to multi-phase utility billing and record keeping. Knowledge of computer databases. Knowledge of computer database design and report writing. Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. Ability to conduct field inspections. Ability to manage multiple projects in an efficient and professional manner. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships as necessitated by the work. Skill in the use of personal computers and associated programs and applications required for successful job performance. Skill in ascertaining facts from personal contact, observation of utility facilities in operation, and examination of records as to use and history in order to take or recommend remedial action.

Water and Sewer: Considerable knowledge of domestic and industrial wastewater treatment processes. Considerable knowledge of local conditions including location of existing buildings and of sanitary sewers and water mains. Considerable knowledge of field safety when working around manholes. Considerable knowledge of the operations and procedures involved in utility consumption reporting, meter reading, and utility diversion. Considerable knowledge of new construction of water and sewer systems. Knowledge of customer billing procedures. Knowledge of municipal utility rules and regulations, including rates and meters in general. Ability to analyze and interpret utility consumption, revenue, and past service history reports. Skill in the proper handling and use of portable flow and sample monitoring equipment.

Stormwater: Considerable knowledge of measurement techniques. Considerable knowledge of field safety. Considerable knowledge of local conditions, including location of existing buildings and of storm sewers. Knowledge of customer billing procedures. Knowledge of municipal utility rules and regulations, including rates and ordinances governing the collection of stormwater fees. Ability to track new development permits for use in the calculation of the stormwater bills. Ability to read and interpret maps. Ability to analyze and interpret utility revenue and past service history reports. Skill in using simple field measuring equipment.

Minimum Training and Experience
Possession of a high school diploma or an equivalent recognized certificate and six years of paraprofessional or technical work experience in utilities operation, utility billing, utility customer service, utility accounts systems, utility collections, or utility credit; or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

Necessary Special Requirement
At the department director’s discretion, must possess a valid Class E State driver license at the time of appointment.

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