

## **OPERATIONS SUMMARY**

Utility Office was closed on September 5<sup>th</sup> in celebration of Labor Day. August billing stats: Water base rate: 1021 Sewer base rate: 936 Gas base rate: 808 Penalties: 515 # of shut off notices printed August: 179 # of final billed accounts with final bill date is: 11 # of new connect accounts is: 11

## AUDITING

Staff focused audit efforts on open deposits this month; making sure that our open deposit report matches with the amount in the deposit GL. There is a lot of room for human error on this, and it is important to make sure that every dollar is accounted for and processed properly.

## PAY BY TEXT

Xpressbillpay now offers a "Pay by Text" service. Staff is working with them to make this available to our customers. There is an additional \$.25 charge for each transaction that is completed using this method, but staff feels like the convenience to the customers that choose to take advantage of it is worth the cost.

## **STAFF PROJECTS**

Staff is working diligently on getting on-line fillable applications completed.

Research is being completed on modules that can be utilized to move to a paperless office. This would save a lot of staff time on filing.

The Utility Office will be represented at the UZONA Chamber of Commerce Business Expo on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

A few staff members will be attending the annual Caselle conference in October for continuing education.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve, respectfully,

Mariah La Corti