



Memo

To: Honorable Mayor & City Council,

From: Utility Superintendent Victor Kane

CC: City Administrator Dylan Mulfinger

Reference: West Tower - Vent Holes

Date: 11/03/2020

Greetings,

We had some recent conversation with FOX and the contractor on this line of holes shown in the photo.



They were not included to be addressed in the bid because they are the vent holes for the structure. Originally approved by DNR so grandfathered even though they are no longer allowed. The contractor on the job builds water towers and raised concerns since these vents are open to atmosphere without any screening. The reason why they are no longer allowed. They pointed out since we specified a new vent to be installed on the tank, they will have no functional use. Making this is the opportune time to have them removed. Thus, allowing us to meet the new Ten State Standards regulations and remove this possible contamination source.

FOX did a rough estimate to do this work based on Maguire's bid adjustment price for hole repairs. That price roughly would be around \$16,000. Maguire provided a fixed price of \$9,700 to do this work. Considering everything and the fact this will not get cheaper with time I would recommend that the Council approve this change order.

Thank you for your time.
Victor Kane

From the Desk of
Oelwein Utility Superintendent Victor Kane