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Sent: Friday, February 13, 2015 11:38 PM
To: Baird, Richard (GOV)
Subject: Re: Flint

Nikki seems interested.

> On Feb 13, 2015, at 6:45 PM, Nicolette Bateson <bateson@dwsd.org> wrote:

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> Hi Bob: I just saw your message. Interesting development!
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> All: May I suggest a conference call to evaluate the options? I am available at any time and can send out the call-in number.
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> Regards,
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> ----- Original Message -----

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> To: "Bart Foster" [REDACTED], "Nicolette Bateson"
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> Cc: "Brian Baker" <bbaker@sterling-heights.net>
> Sent: Friday, February 13, 2015 1:53:06 PM
> Subject: RE: Flint

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> Guys – I think we can craft a win here. In talking with Rich Baird,
> who has been working with Flint on this matter along with Dennis
> Muchmore from the Governor's staff, apparently Flint is consider this
> but is choking a bit on the amount to be billed. While I recognize
> that this amount is based on the prior contract, we are in a unique
> position over the next two weeks or so and before the BOWC takes
> action on the rates, budget, CIP and other related efforts on March 11
> th (formally March 4 th). The win would be solving the water problem

> in Flint (generally agreed that this is there issue and comes from a
 > poor decision to remove themselves from the DWSD's quality water
 > product), serving to reduce the
 > FY-2016 suburban water rates already now in the public by perhaps 2%
 > to 3%, and help to tamp down the media frenzy on this matter. It also
 > demonstrates that flow is part of the problem – DWSD adds flow, rates
 > go down.
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 > Right now, no one wins with Flint off the system – the rates for water
 > remain at 11% for suburban wholesale, Flint has bad water and the
 > press for both of us continues on this matter, along with the rate
 > media issues.
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 > Here is what I propose. Drop the monthly rate for a defined period of
 > time – they need a 15 month period. So let's drop the rate by say
 > \$50K monthly and make it a rate of \$800K / month, fixed. In doing so,
 > I suspect that the 11% rate can be dropped to roughly 8.5% to 9%
 > (subject the Foster Group's more detailed analysis) – which show the public good
 > faith. Then, if they go past the 15 month time frame, we can add costs
 > on the rate at a semi-punitive approach - \$850K \$875K or more.
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 > I believe that there is a win / win here. If the proposal is not
 > acceptable, then I'd like to hear an alternative if at all possible –
 > particularly since th3e 11% isn't selling well in the media, given the
 > misinformation out there in the public. RJD
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 > From: Bart Foster [REDACTED]
 > Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2015 10:33 PM
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 > Actually, my quick take is about 8%.
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 > Some background: