



SPRINGVILLE UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
**ELECTRIC OPERATIONS CENTER**  
**MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM**  
777 NORTH 425 WEST, SPRINGVILLE UTAH  
April 29, 2026 – 6:30 A.M.

**Board Members Present:**

Rollin Hotchkiss, Clair Anderson, Carl Burrows, John Chaston, Denice Gale, Kellen Hyer, Eric Nord, Joshua Reidhead, Anders Sorensen, Frank Young

**Board Members Not Present:** Nile Hatch, Travis Ball, Bryan Boshell

**Council Members and Staff Present:**

Mike Snelson, Logan Millsap, Brad Stapley, Jake Nostrom, Mike Pool, Tyler Lowe, Terrance Harris, Jeff Anderson, Bruce Riddle, Janna Penrose

BUSINESS: Public Works Department Rate Discussion

CALL TO ORDER

**MEETING SUMMARY:**

The meeting focused on proposed utility rate increases for Springville. Jeff Anderson explained the need for a 4.4% increase in drinking water rates to keep up with inflation, citing a 40% personnel cost and rising material costs. Jake Nostrom detailed a 4.6% increase for wastewater, including a \$27.80 base rate rising to \$29.08. The stormwater rate will rise from \$8 to \$8.36. The board discussed the potential addition of a base rate for pressurized irrigation and the need to review tiered rates for water conservation. The council approved the rate increases for implementation in November 2026.

Action Items

- Ensure the recommended utility rate letter (signed by board members) is submitted to City Council (take the signed recommendation to council)
- Rollin Hotchkiss to send an email to Utility Board members requesting feedback and talking points in preparation for the upcoming City Council presentation of the recommended utility rate increases scheduled for May 5, 2026.
- Place the requested training presentation on the next meeting agenda and confirm Mike Snelson is included as presenter/participant for that training



## OUTLINE

### Proposed Rate Changes and Initial Discussion

- Rollin Hotchkiss initiates the meeting and outlines the main agenda item: reviewing proposed rate changes for various utilities.
- Jeff Anderson explains the need for rate increases to keep up with inflation, supported by the city council and mayor.
- Jeff Anderson presents a graph showing the impact of no rate increases versus incremental increases, emphasizing the importance of steady increases.

### Detailed Breakdown of Rate Increases

- Jeff Anderson highlights the construction analytics index for 2027, projecting a 3.7% increase.
- Jeff Anderson explains the proposed rate increases for drinking water and pressurized irrigation (PI), including specific percentage increases and their impact on rates.
- Mike Snelson inquires about how other cities maintain lower rates, and Jeff Anderson mentions Spanish Fork and Saratoga's plans to switch to CUP water.

### Water Conservation and Pressurized Irrigation

- Brad Stapley explains the history of the pressurized irrigation program and its current status.
- Jeff Anderson discusses the need for developments to connect to secondary water lines instead of using culinary water.
- Brad Stapley and Jeff Anderson discussed the state's requirement for tiered systems to encourage water conservation.

### Wastewater and Stormwater Rate Increases

- Jake Nostrom presents the wastewater rate increase, explaining the higher costs due to treatment plant upgrades and other factors.
- Jake Nostrom discusses the surcharge rate increase from .17 cents to .27 cents, supported by a cost-of-service study.
- Carl Burrows questions the fairness of charging only Nestle for BOD, and Brad Stapley explains the city is looking into the process of expanding the BOD surcharge rates to include other businesses.
- Jake Nostrom and Brad Stapley discussed the potential impact of future phosphorus regulations on treatment plants.

### Future Agenda Items and Vote on Rate Increases

- Brad Stapley outlines potential future agenda items, including pressurized irrigation rates, culinary water tiers, and the Waterworth program.
- Rollin Hotchkiss suggests discussing the efficiency of the plant and surcharge rates for larger commercial businesses.
- Rollin Hotchkiss proposes a vote on the letter of recommendation to the City Council, which is approved by the board.