

November 3, 2016

TO: White Bluff Home Owners
FROM: John Bass, VP
White Bluff POA Board of Directors

RE: Water/Sewage rate Increase

Many, many thanks to those homeowners who have contributed to the effort of fighting the rate increase imposed on water and sewer by Double Diamond Utilities. Thus far, about 100 out of 700 rate payers have donated a little over \$10,000, which has been matched by your WBPOA. Again, to those who have contributed- Thank You!

As was reported to you in a previous correspondence, the rate increase went into effect October 1st, and your next bill will reflect the requested increase. It won't take you a minute or two to figure out how much extra you will be spending over the next ten years on your water and sewer utilities if these rates aren't challenged. Please put a pencil to it. The fight on your behalf is gearing up. We have hired an attorney who specializes in this arena as well as a water rate consultant to represent our interests. To put things into perspective, the last go-around with DD Utilities a few years ago resulted in professional fees of approximately \$70,000; to date we have a little over \$20,000. Through that last effort in 2008 we saved rate payers hundreds of thousands of dollars. We can meet our initial goal if all rate payers just donate \$100.

Many of you have asked about where to send your contribution. Below is that information:
White Bluff Rate Payers (make out your check to this entity)
P.O. Box 37
Whitney, TX 76692

If you haven't contributed yet, please consider doing so today. **Don't leave it up to the "Other Guys"!**

PS. Make sure you thank the other members of the White Bluff Rate Payers Committee who will work tirelessly for you in this matter.
John Upchurch
Marshall Snyder
Scott Shelton