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Waukesha Water Utility Holds Online Open House With Residents New Booster Pumping Station Plans Discussed

(WAUKESHA) The Great Water Alliance hosted an Online Open House on Wednesday evening to update residents on plans for the Booster Pumping Station near E. Broadway and Les Paul Parkway in Waukesha. Dan Duchniak, General Manager of the Waukesha Water Utility, and Katie Richardson, Program Manager at Greeley and Hansen, delivered the presentation.

Over 400 households received postcards inviting them to the Open House, resulting in over 45 people attending the meeting that started at 6:00 pm and lasted just over an hour. Joining the online conference as guests were Elizabeth Moltzan and Kathleen Cummings, Alderpersons for the 8th and 9th Districts, along with Waukesha Mayor Shawn Reilly.

Duchniak reinforced the Great Water Alliance mission to bring clean water to 70,000 Waukesha residents by 2023. Richardson explained that the facilities at Nike Park will be similar to those in residential neighborhoods throughout Waukesha and other communities.

Renderings, photos and maps of the pumping station, reservoirs and water tower were displayed so that neighbors could see where the infrastructure will be built and how it will look. Richardson showed that a portion of the land was donated by the federal government, and the city of Waukesha is buying additional land to double the size of Missile Park.

Residents were invited to submit questions prior to the meeting and asked additional questions during the Open House using a chat feature. Duchniak and Richardson addressed over 30 questions in the last 25 minutes of the meeting. Topics ranged from where the public would access the park to the height of the cranes and the parking of the construction equipment.

The Great Water Alliance previously held in-person Open Houses to discuss Waukesha's plans for obtaining a safe and sustainable water supply from Lake Michigan; however, this event was virtual so that officials and residents could safely share information during the COVID-19 pandemic.



Additional Open Houses will be scheduled to discuss future phases of Waukesha's new water supply program with the community. Anyone can reach out with questions by calling the Great Water Alliance Hotline at 262.409.4444 or visiting greatwateralliance.com. A recording of the Waukesha Online Open House will soon be available on that website.

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