

Once upon a time there was a very lonely \$10 bill (let's call him Bill) in a bank account. It was lonely because all the other \$10 bills were used and no more were forthcoming. The bank account belonged to T.A.M.E.R.(TAMER) which represented over 20,000 people (ratepayers) who were being taken advantage of by huge, greedy water companies that were charging excessive, unreasonable rates for water and sewer service to many ratepayers who could barely afford to put food on their tables.

These companies could afford high-priced attorneys to lobby for them (one company is owned by J. P. Morgan Asset Management). The companies met and decided to charge their customers more by having two more rate increases in the next couple of years-one in late 2013 and another in 2014. How much does it take to feed their greed?

T.A.M.E.R. is the sole entity fighting for the ratepayers of these water companies that are monopolies. It also employs an attorney & his firm who have done an admirable job since 2002. However, TAMER is in debt to the law firm for a considerable amount and our representation will of necessity stop unless TAMER can pay this debt during the first few months of the New Year.

If TAMER ceases to exist, the big monopolistic water companies will have cart blanche to charge whatever rates they choose. You and I need someone to fight for us!

You and I cannot allow Bill to be lonely any longer. Every time you turn around someone is asking for a donation for someone or something. What would you think if someone would ask for a donation for YOU? Think about it. Who do YOU think TAMER represents? It's YOU! YOUR donation is not going to some foreign country. It's not going to some questionable charity. It is going to give YOU an organization to fight for YOU.

With over 20,000 ratepayers that are, and will continue to be, taken advantage of by these greedy water companies, if each of US will give TAMER a \$10 bill, TAMER can continue to do a bang-up job of representing US. Believe me, the increases being sought by these companies are huge and will add up to a lot of money in the coming years. The two increases the water companies are going to seek are 50-60% each!! For example - say YOU are paying \$50/month for water. The first increase, at 50%, makes YOUR bill \$75/month, or \$300/year more. The second increase makes YOUR bill \$112.50/month, or \$750/year more. A \$112.50 water bill per month equals \$1350 per year for water. This puts a \$10 Bill in perspective, doesn't it? Which will YOU choose?

Don't let poor Bill be lonely anymore. Together we can beat these huge monopolies.