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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
Trash/Water/Sewer
(Pruett/Blaies/Matchett/Niebruegge))
January 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 6, 2016, by Chairman Dean Pruet. Members present were Chairman Dean Pruet, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Ray Matchett, Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Matt Trout, Public Works Director John Tolan, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guests present: Denise Albers and Janet Baechle.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of December 16, 2015 minutes: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to approve the December 16, 2015 minutes and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. Sewer project: Administrator Funderburg received a call from Larry Rhutasel stating we had one more document to finalize the project which stated any expense over the EPA loan amount would be our responsibility to pay. Tony reviewed this with Trustee Pruet and the Mayor. The mayor asked for a detailed breakdown and Larry does not believe we will go over the loan amount. At this time, Larry does not have an actual start date. Public Works Director John Tolan asked if they said anything about needing a rate increase before we get started. Tony discussed that with Larry, and we want to combine the rate increases for the sewer projects into one. There will be rate increase in the near future. Tony may have it by next meeting and confirmed it will be a step increase rate structure. Trustee Pruet asked for a date from Larry on when he is going to get started.
3. Sewer issues: John said we did get quite a bit of rain, 6.5 inches over 3 to 4 days. We did have to pump at Mrs. Hill's home on E. Apple. We had two water issues in Meadowbrook. He will have Walden televise in January/February, which will include Mr. Taylor's home. The other instance was groundwater.
4. Countryside Lane annexations: Tony is working with the new homeowner. He is willing to annex, and is asking for a couple of things. Tony will bring back this back to committee before finalizing the negotiations. John advised they are running into a lot of rock and are working on setting the first hydrant.
5. FSH Minutes: John said the signed contract is going back to Frank Heiligensten for review. Tony confirmed all parties signed the contract.
6. TTHM/HAA Fourth Quarter Testing: Item can be taken off the agenda.

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7. New Truck/Dump Truck: Trustee Pruett found a truck in our price range. The dealership will be sending Tony an email with all the information.

B. NEW BUSINESS: John said we've had an issue for quite some time with radio read meters. Get a lot of no reads, or lately erroneous readings. Transponder is reading something different from the register. Itron came out last week, showed what was going on, now other comm having this problem. Itron called to warranty the transponder and the register. Tony confirmed we are not billing the customers the incorrect amount – when we manually read, we are getting the correct readings. Thankfully they've agreed to fix it, no reason to fix it now as we are too far into the program. They've agreed to warranty the 60's out to 100's.

John reported another leak in the SAVE tower. It is now leaking around the base, and we have tried to fix it. He has Cady Aquastore coming out next week to fix it. Tony said we are getting more people that want to annex and get our water. There are some on Schiermeier, Jefferson and Rentchler Roads. As we are finishing this project up, will look to other areas that are interested in annexing.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,
Office Manager