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Committee as a Whole Meeting
Tuesday, September 25, 2018
5:30 p.m.

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The Committee as a Whole meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 by Mayor Seth Speiser. Members present were Mayor Seth Speiser, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Ray Matchett, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Dean Pruett, Public Works Director John Tolan, Water/Sewer Department Leader Gregg Blomenkamp, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg (absent), and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guests present from Farnsworth Group: Patrik Sheridan and Steve Myers. Guests present from Horner & Shifrin: Jim McCleish, Christina Willson, Ed Sewing and Sean Mickey.

I. ITEMS TO BE REVIEWED:

A. **Old Business:** None.

B. New Business:

1. Farnsworth Group Statement of Qualifications for Wastewater System Improvements: Steve Myers introduced himself as the Principal in charge, and Patrik Sheridan would be the Senior Engineering Manager. Mr. Myers advised they try very hard to foster long-term relationships, and won't give us something that won't work. They value our input, and stated the jobs done in house. He stated they have over 45 employees that deal with wastewater and over 100 years of experience. He summarized similar projects in Pekin and Fairbury, Illinois.

Mr. Sheridan stated they do not have a problem with our Facility Plan and using a SBR. He said our design needs flexibility and doesn't know what the EPA is going to hold us to in the future. He is in agreement with the census numbers and treatment capacity targets. He further explained their numbers adjusting the influent loading and treatment design target (effluent).

They recommend a load share between the two treatment plants and adding a lagoon on the vacant land adjacent to the west treatment plant. This would be accomplished through their recommended process: basis of design updated; nutrient conversion with denitrification capability and future co-precipitation; storm flow mitigation; project layout, hydraulic profile and schematic and a financial plan and implementation schedule.

If we go with their process, we would have to amend our current facility plan. They want to build to adapt to the conditions we are facing. John would like to see our aging infrastructure included in their proposal.

2. Horner & Shifrin Statement of Qualifications for Wastewater System Improvements: Jim McCleish introduced himself and his team – Christy Wilson is the project manager, Sean Mickey, who would handle the wastewater treatment process and Ed Sewing, who would handle the collection system. Jim stated Horner & Shifrin has the expert staff, SBR system design and experience, IEPA permit and SRF project reviewer relationship, and knowledge of Freeburg's system. They worked on Freeburg's 2009 facility plan and believe that previous work will minimize the startup time in the design process. Their

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approach would be to balance the size of the treatment facilities with upgrades in the collection system, focusing on the inflow and infiltration reduction resulting in an effective use of our resources now and in the future.

Horner & Shifrin reviewed the facility plan and agree with the proposed SBR facility. They recommend keeping the east plant in use, and plan the new SBR facility at the west plant. The SBR can allow flow variability and will increase the overall capacity of plant. Design flexibility will be incorporated to plan for future expansion. In the design process, they will hold workshops to define what our needs, preferences and concerns are, weighing the systems to rank importance and identify manufacturing options. This will include input from our Public Works Director, Plant Operator and Village Administrator. The second workshop would include vendor presentations and schedule site visits to view installed equipment. The third workshop includes a summary of the vendor presentations, and to obtain a final decision for the plant design. This would include high level of interaction with the Village to make sure it is what we are looking for.

Lastly, they discussed the special condition in our NPDES permit, the CMOM plan. IEPA is requiring us to do this. CMOM stands for Capacity, Management, Operations and Maintenance of our collection system. Their process would involve a thorough review of our system. Jim McCleish summarized their presentation and welcomed the opportunity to work with Freeburg.

C. General Concerns: None.

D. Public Participation: None.

E. Adjourn: *Trustee Dean Pruett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson
Office Manager