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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING Trash/Water/Sewer (Kaiser/Blaies/Meehling/Miller) Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:56 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaiés, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer (6:09 p.m.), Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Minutes: No minutes to approve.
2. New Sewer Plant/Sewer Loan: Public Works Director John Tolan said the electric crew installed fiber, and VIPower spliced everything together and now have internet. We have training on Friday for the equipment and SCADA. We will then get all the phones and alarms done. The substantial completion date is 12/15, and we have 4 - 5 big tickets items that need to be completed. The auger for the influent screen was replaced and appears to be working; the dissolved oxygen probes were replaced, the HVAC controllers are in and hopefully Guarantee will have them in by Friday; they are replacing doors that were ordered wrong; and a vent needs to be moved. We do have an issue with the digester that controls the sludge. Burns is working on a solution. The IEPA sludge permit is up for renewal and Tim is working on that.
3. Sewer issues: Village Engineer Tim Purett is working on the sewer line project for next year. Tim and John chose the northwest quadrant and also a few areas on the east side of town that amount to 22,000 feet of sewer. The northwest quadrant is the one with the highest infiltration. Matt confirmed there is \$300,00 in the budget that we have been collecting for the last 3 years for this type of work. Tim will work on the bid advertisement to video every line. We will then have a catalog and can then choose the ones to line.
4. FSH Minutes: River levels are extremely low.
5. Water System Study – TWM Invoices #82478 in the amount of \$1,000: Tim continues to push Scott on the loan application.

Trustee Mike Blaiés motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of TWM Invoice #82478 in the amount of \$1,000.00, and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Volkert Invoice #1307346 in the amount of \$2,300: This invoice is for the NPDES permit renewal.

Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of Volkert Invoice #1307346 in the amount of \$2,300.00, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

MT said around 12 years ago covered bridge wanted water. They have come back asking for it, doesn't know how many of them do. Supposed to meet with 2 people tomorrow. We are at SAVE. About 5,000 feet to get there, and another 5,000 feet inside. JT said need a commitment of a good number of people to do this. Tim said it's closer to 15,000 feet of water main, and estimates about \$900,000 w/o engineering. 55 lots with houses on them in CB. May pick up 4-5 on the way. At those numbers it would be about \$18K per person. Need 85% to come on board.

JT said on samples collected in November, instead of quarterly collecting, now every 90 days plus or minus 2 days.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m., and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,
Office Manager