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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING  
Trash/Water/Sewer  
(Pruett/Albers/Blaies/Matchett)  
Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 5:45 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR  
Tony Funderburg

VILLAGE TREASURER  
Bryan A. Vogel

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
John Tolan

POLICE CHIEF  
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VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
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The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, by Chairman Dean Pruett. Members present were Chairman Dean Pruett, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Ray Matchett, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Matt Trout, Public Works Director John Tolan, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guests present: Tony Erwin and Jeff Reis from TWM.

## A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of November 16, 2016 minutes: Trustee Ray Matchett motioned to approve the November 16, 2016 minutes and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. Sewer project: Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said Haier will be out there next week. They are working on a couple of other projects as well. Tony said the contract they signed states the work will be done by 3/31/17.
3. Sewer issues/Sewer Fuel Odors: John said did have another incident 2-3 weeks ago on West Apple. The fire department was out and the levels were extremely low. It's in the area from Mr. Smith's to the high school down West Apple, nowhere else. They are venting every 3-4 days. He has a call into Walden to come out and clean and televise the area. John does not know why it is traveling that area.
4. FSH Minutes: Not included, John advised it is very slow right now.
5. Radio Read Meters: John is still waiting for them to replace the meters. They are in the process of ordering everything.
6. New Water Lines: Administrator Funderburg said this can ben taken off for now.
7. Water Sample Results/Lead and Copper Testing: John reported the samples came back good, but he will do another round of samples in a couple of months to make sure everything is good. He will sit down with grade school and discuss their results with them soon. Item can be taken off the agenda.
8. Sewer Main – Jacks Car Wash: John has tried contacting Walden on this. He is going to reach out to a couple of different companies so we can get moving on this project.
9. Freeburg Care Center: John advised we are working on installing the line when we can. Larry Rhutasel asked if we would make the final connection from the 6-inch line . John was concerned it was a cast iron line and hesitant to do that, but he potholed the line, and it is plastic. John confirmed we did agree that they will pay for us to make the connection, which will include parts and labor. Once it leaves the meter, it is their responsibility. John will keep track of our time and materials. He said he can submit a bill to them prior to connection.
10. Shampooles Lift Station: John has a proposal from Vandeventer to upgrade this lift station. They are the only ones who provide a flight pump which is the one he needs. It would cost \$12,448 and that includes labor and material, and Shane will handle the electrical work.

## B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Sewer Rate: Tony said we knew with the new project we would have to increase our rates, and EPA is saying we have to increase our rates now. Per the explanatory sheet he provided, we need \$80,000 for the new loan, and \$50,000 to line the sewers, giving us a total of \$130,000 needed right now extra per year. Rate 1 or 2 would accomplish that. Rate 1 is the same rate as today with a facility

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charge added in. Rate 2 is Rhutasel's suggested rate. Tony said we need a new sewer plant, which is an extra \$400,000 per year, and Rate 5 accomplishes that. It sets us up for a good future in the sewer department and also line the sewers. Tony recommends going to Rate 5 which would increase an average 4,000 gallon user monthly bill from \$22.37 to \$33.00. Trustee Trout said if we need to raise the rates, we should do all at once and not every couple years. As shown on the spreadsheet, our current minimum is \$9.17 and the new one would be \$5.00 for the facility charge and \$7.00 for the first 1,000 gallons. John commented if we start lining the sewers now, it could help with possibly scaling the size of the plant back.

*Trustee Ray Matchett motioned to recommend to the full Board the proposed Sewer Rate 5 for approval and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

John reported our thm/ha samples all came back well under the limits. OSHA came back last Wednesday and completed a more thorough water/sewer/streets inspections. John said the inspector found minor things everywhere he went, and gave John three pages of suggestions. He will be back in about 2 months to do a complete 2-3 day audit of everything. All in all, it went pretty well. Tony said we are scheduling an audit by our insurance company. We do not have a final ruling yet on Randy's accident.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m. and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,  
Office Manager