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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING Trash/Water/Sewer (Kaiser/Blaies/Meehling/Miller) Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 5:45 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck (absent) Public Works Director John Tolan, Crew Leader Bob Jenkins, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, Office Manager Julie Polson and Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of December 13, 2023 minutes: Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the December 13, 2023 minutes, and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. New Sewer Plant/Sewer Loan: Public Works Director John Tolan advised we are about the same as last month. Substantial completion has not happened, the SCADA training has been completed, the fence gate is in but not the controller, HVAC controller not operating properly, and the influent screen error where it says it is jamming but it isn't. We are working out of the lab there. John commented it was interesting learning how to run the filters with the rain event. The plant handled the flow well. EPA has revised our existing NPDES permit and added phosphorus. We are now running the plant off the dissolved oxygen probes rather than manually. Our guys have created their own list of items that need to be completed.
3. Sewer issues: None.
4. FSH Minutes: FSH has given Larry Rhutasel of Volkert their approval to look for alternative route from the SLM plant to Freeburg. That water line was put in 1978, and some leaks have been found in that line.
5. Water System Study: Tim continues to talk to Scott on this project. Village Administrator Matt Trout said this will now be a once a week phone call until we see some progress.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Executive Session to Discuss Real Estate Transactions, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(5):

EXECUTIVE SESSION. 5:52 P.M.

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Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to enter Executive Session citing Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1), and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED
6:00 P.M.**

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to reconvene the regular session at 6:00 p.m., and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

John advised there was a large water break on Rt. 15 last weekend. We are working to get everyone off that line. The west tower has been winterized west tower.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:01 p.m., and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,
Office Manager