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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING Trash/Water/Sewer (Kaiser/Blaies/Heap/Meehling)

Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 5:45 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
Tony Funderburg

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
John Tolan

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Michael J. Schutzenhofer

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The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:49 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan (via phone), Water/Sewer Department Leader Gregg Blomenkamp, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer (absent), Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guest present: Janet Baechle.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of August 14, 2019 minutes: *Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to approve the August 14, 2019 minutes and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion.* All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. New Sewer Plant: Water/Sewer Department Leader Gregg Blomenkamp advised they visited the Belleville treatment plant to look at the effluent filters. Burns and McDonnell will be attending the WEFTEC Conference in Chicago where they will be able to see all the different types of equipment for the new plant. Gregg advised we are getting close to choosing the equipment which will give us a better idea on pricing prior to bidding. They are also working on the CMOM.
3. Sewer issues: Gregg reported a resident had a leak that flooded their basement. He shut their meter off for them. Trevor is flushing hydrants this month, and we have some dirty water from the flushing which is normal.
4. FSH Minutes: Gregg reported we are still dealing with dirty water from SLM, and we had issues before the flushing started. They think with the flooding this year, the organics caused a discoloration in the water. At the FSH meeting, John and Chad discussed the situation with them, and John expressed his frustration with the quality of water we are receiving from them. He will now attend the SLM board meetings every month to voice his concerns.
5. Old Freeburg Road Water Lines: Nothing new to report from TWM.
6. Water System Study: Nothing new to report from TWM.
7. Water System Evaluation for EPA: John submitted his response to the IEPA detailing the situation we have with our water provider, along with his conversations and meeting with the Environmental Resource Training Center staff. SLM not testing TLCs like they should be but that should be better now with new meter. The August samples came back good. John is not happy at all with the SLM situation. He will be attending their meetings since he has been dealing with dirty water for 3 - 5 years. Trustee Meehling asked when would the EPA step in? John has talked to Mary Reed, and she said until there is a violation, they don't get involved.

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John said if we get another high sample, we will get a violation. Attorney Keck will get together with John to note our concerns and provide them to SLM's attorney.

Trustee Albers inquired about Wiegmann's discharge, and John stated the levels have been low the last 2 months. He has not had a chance to talk to their safety manager. That will be addressed in the process with Burns & McDonnell.

B. NEW BUSINESS: None.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: Gregg advised a new water service will be installed at 107/109 S. Richland on Thursday. We had a water main break on W. Apple in front of Wiegmanns. It was a good working experience for Trevor. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg would like for John to take an SLM board spot. Tony also said that we need someone with the expertise to deal with all of the issues, and John commented he is willing to do it.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 p.m. and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,
Office Manager