

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

February 5, 2024 – 6:01 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zach Gallagher, Brian Blankenship, Connie Miller

GUESTS PRESENT: Chris Colvin, Joette Dedden

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Copeland, Jamie Morley

1. Roll Call : Quorum was achieved, and all members were present.
2. Mr. Blankenship motioned to accept the minutes from the January 2, 2024 meeting, and Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.

3 yeas

3. Chief Copeland began with the updates to the work being performed in the Village.
  - Third Street is moving along, and Smith Corp is doing well. They replaced several valves on Miami St. They should be moving on to put in the storm line on Third Street. Choice One stated this would help with the drainage in that area. The original bid was under budget, and with the two grants, the cost of the additional storm line should be covered.
  - In 2022, the EPA was offering grants for water equipment. The Village submitted to receive three pieces of equipment: a line locator, a portable valve exerciser, and an ultrasonic flow meter to help test the flow and psi on hydrants. The Village was approved for the grant and will receive the new equipment valued at \$10,633.
  - Fed Excavating is replacing the contracted catch basins throughout the Village. They should pour concrete tomorrow and then asphalt on Thursday. They are still waiting on supplies to replace the large catch basin in the Route 42 median.
  - Hylant Insurance provided the quote for the Village's 2024 property and liability insurance, and it went up \$407, which is only a 1.88% increase.
  - Solar Shade, a local company, installed lights on top of the Public Works trucks to help with safety. The total was \$5,600.
  - Moody completed the prima cord explosion to help clear the well and increase flow. They are currently performing a 24-hour flow test to determine how many GPMs the Village can expect from this well. Once

this is completed, Moody's will start on the lateral line to connect Well 10 into the water system.

- KT Holden did not bury the PRV vault deep enough; therefore, they had to cut part of the riser to sit level with the road. Chief Copeland expressed concerns that this may jeopardize the vault's integrity and create a crown within the roadway. Choice One has stated that KT Holden can contour the road to prevent any crowning.
  - During the work on Franklin Road, it was discovered that the bottom of a large storm drain at the S-bend of Franklin going under the driveway of the Church has rusted out. Everything else looks good; it is only the bottom of the drain. Chief Copeland suggested that he get quotes to see how much it would cost to line this pipe, as this would be the most economical and least invasive solution.
  - There is an ordinance on tonight's agenda to enter a multijurisdictional road salt buying bid for 200 tons. This is the best way to get the best price on road salt.
  - A 2023 well draw report has been provided. If there is a zero in the column, the well was down. It appears there was equal usage for each well.
  - Completed the boundary census required by the Census Bureau.
  - The Township just requested the Village's newsletter for the Township Magazine. This is due February 14<sup>th</sup>.
4. Mr. Gallagher stated that he believes it is important for the Village to act quickly and get quotes lining the damaged storm drain before it further deteriorates.
  5. Mr. Gallagher asked if the flow results could be provided to him for review when Chief Copeland receives them. Chief Copeland responded that he would forward the results. So far, the samples for the well have come back clean.
  6. Chief Copeland informed the committee about a code violation concerning water lines at 514 High Street. He has asked Mr. Forbes to compose a letter asking Mr. Alexander to bring the buildings up to code.

All were in favor of adjourning at 6:33 pm.