

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING –

April 4, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Colvin, Brian Blankenship

GUESTS PRESENT: Connie Miller, Joette Dedden, Earl Isaacs

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Copeland, Jamie Morley

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Mr. Colvin.
2. Quorum was achieved – Two members were present.
3. Mr. Colvin made a motion to excuse Mr. Gallagher from tonight’s meeting and Mr. Blankenship seconded the motion.  
2 Yeas
4. Mr. Colvin made a motion to accept the March 7, 2022 minutes and was seconded by Mr. Blankenship.  
2 Yeas
5. Chief Copeland stated he attended a meeting with Wessler to go over the draft of the water model. He has it if any Council members would like to check it out for review, they are more than welcome to. During the meeting, Wessler discussed the possibility of the Lemay property being developed and Well 10. Chief Copeland stated he believes that development would not put the Village in city status as there are only 150 proposed homes. He also added that the PID (Planned Industrial District) offers a great possibility as a revenue source for the Village. Chief Copeland summarized that Wessler did not see a problem to get water to this area. Either run a line off the loop at the school or the worst-case scenario would be to put a water tower there. He feels that the Village would be minimally impacted if the area were developed.
  - a. During the meeting Wessler stated the wells were in good shape but would recommend a new well with Well 8 cavitating and potential growth.
  - b. Wessler also stated that the water is fantastic. It is very clean and free of toxins.
6. Chief Copeland presented the Committee with spec sheets for a valve exerciser for water valves. Originally appropriated 45K for a valve exerciser. However, the water department is requesting a machine with a vacuum. This would allow the water department to clean out valve and meter boxes. It could also be used to jet out storm drains. This would cost the Village between 70-75K which would come out of water. Chief Copeland and Mr. McKeever applied for a grant to help the Village pay for the machine. Valves should be exercised regularly to ensure they are operating correctly. A couple of years ago the Village paid about 30K to exercise the valves for the first time in about 10 years. This machine will allow the department to create a schedule to do this yearly.
  - a. Mr. Blankenship made a motion to present an ordinance to Council for the purchase of the Valve exerciser and vacuum and was seconded by Mr. Colvin.  
2 Yeas
7. Chief Copeland presented the Committee with a proposed plan to pour a 6” slab by the maintenance barn to create blocked storage bins for materials used in water breaks and street repairs. This will save the Village time and money. The Concrete slab will cost about 15K, and 2 blocks high would be \$11,500 and 3 blocks high would be an additional 6K. The slab will be about 72’ by 27’ with an apron and 2 block high the project will cost \$25,856.73. The Village can always add another row of blocks later. Mr.

Blankenship asked if the funding was there. It was discussed that 12K was appropriated for the project and there was also 40K appropriated for another truck for the water department, which probably will not be used for this year.

- a. Mr. Colvin made a motion to have an ordinance to Council to have a storage block unit built and was seconded by Mr. Blankenship.

2 Yeas

8. The power outage caused issues with the new electronic sign which should be up and running by Thursday. These repairs are under warranty.
9. Ordinances on tonight's agenda for the refurbishment of the streetlights and changing them to LEDs. Ms. Morley stated that the Finance Committee discussed this at the last Finance Meeting, and it was agreed to have two ordinances drawn up for a short-term fix to refurbish the lights and change out to LEDs. There is also a resolution that states Council's intention to save 60K for five years to be able to purchase the streetlights that would best suit the Village. This does not obligate the funds but rather states Council's intent and earmarks the funds.
10. Ms. Dedden asked Chief Copeland if the crosswalk signs will be placed along the crosswalks downtown. He responded that they will be put out after the rainy season and high winds are over.
11. Mr. Blankenship asked about the status of the traffic light at Route 42 and North Street. Chief Copeland stated that it looks like the Village will need to fund the entire project. He is still working on this. It was discussed that there is about 310K appropriated for this project.
12. Chief Copeland stated he was contacted by Stantec about moving forward with the project to fill in the land at the corner of Route 42 and 73. They want to move forward with the fill so they can present plans to ODOT to apply for egress to Route 73. They will also have to present plans for water and sewer lines. It was discussed to require an 8" main off the water line on Corwin.
13. Mr. Isaacs stated that he was contacted by Congressman Chabot's office about community grant funding. He stated that he will get the forms to Chief Copeland to apply for funding for the traffic light.
14. Mr. Colvin made a motion to adjourn at 6:53 PM and was seconded by Mr. Blankenship.

2 Yeas

Jamie Morley  
Clerk to Council