

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING –

May 1, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zack Gallagher, Troy Lauffer, Brian Blankenship

GUESTS PRESENT: Connie Miller, Joette Dedden, Chris Colvin, Earl Isaacs

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Copeland, Jamie Morley

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mr. Gallagher.
2. Quorum was achieved – Three members were present.
3. Mr. Blankenship made a motion to accept the March 6, 2023 minutes which was seconded by Mr. Gallagher.

3 Yeas

4. Chief Copeland went over ongoing and upcoming projects for the Village:
 - a. Chief Copeland sent a letter to Warren County Commissions asking to use CVT funds towards the stoplight at Route 42 and North Street. The Commissioners have passed legislation to allow this project to use these funds. Currently, the CVT Fund held by Warren County has 128K and will receive an additional 12K in 2024 and 12K in 2025. This should cover the Village's entire portion of this project.
 - b. Working with Harvest Baptist Church to get an easement for the water line from Well 10. The Church has agreed to allow this easement at no cost to the Village. The Reinke Group Engineering has been hired to survey and provide the paperwork for the easement.
 - c. Moody's tried to get their equipment to the Well 10 site, but unfortunately their equipment got stuck because it was too wet. Moody's will not be able to start digging Well 10 until there is a road. There is an ordinance on tonight's agenda concerning the road to Well 10. The current pavement at Bowman Park is only 2" thick and has been compromised by all the flooding. The original plan was to have a semi drive on the pavement and deliver the stone for the road. However, semis would destroy the current road. The new plan is for semis to deliver the stone to the wellfield and smaller dump trucks to drive the stone to the new road site. This will take about 170 dump truckloads. Therefore, an additional ordinance is on the agenda tonight to approve the additional cost of 12K for this extra delivery fee.
 - d. There is also an ordinance for the water line from Well 10 to merge with the other lines from Wells 6 & 7. This 8" line will use C900 and will go under the Mill Race. Would like Council to amend the ordinance as an emergency to lock in the quoted price. There will also be a stub out for any future wells to connect to.
 - e. Several surplus items have been listed on Govdeals.com.
 - f. The OPWC projects for Franklin Phase I and Third Street should be going out to bid in June when the State releases funding. Packets will be distributed in May and bidding will be due in June. The project start date will be dependent on when the winning bidder can obtain all the materials and water parts. The hope is to have the projects done by the end of the year.
 - g. Met with Kyle from Strawser to get quotes for micro-surfacing the following streets: Church, Fourth, High to the dead end, Windfield, Beaumont, White Rose, Crimson Rose, Bayberry, and

Brookfield. Chief Copeland stated he looked at alleyways and said they were in fairly good shape. Unfortunately, micro-surfacing may not be an option because the alley must be at least 9 nine feet wide for the machinery to fit.

- h. Meeting with a representative from Flock Cameras to receive information about their product and services. Flock Cameras tie in with all their cameras nationwide and have helped solve many crimes. These are not used for speeding or running red lights but rather will pick up license plates and help with warrant pick-ups, stolen vehicles, and amber alerts. These would have helped with the McDonald/Subway break-ins. The plan is to meet tomorrow with the representative and any Council member is invited to attend to learn more about the product. Chief Copeland stated that he believes each camera is \$2500 and would like to see about getting a total of four at the stop light of 42/73, two traffic lights, and the intersection of Franklin and Lytle. This would cover the main ins and outs of the Village. Using drug money or getting grants to pay for the cameras could be a possibility.
 - i. Received two quotes for fuel tanks. Hamilton Tanks quoted 11K for each tank and that includes everything. Tank Retailer quoted 15K for both tanks. This is for 1,000-gallon tanks for both diesel and gasoline. The Village uses about 1,000 gallons of gas a month and the tanks save about \$1 per gallon wholesale prices. The Committee agreed that they like that the tanks make the Village self-sufficient, but the tank cost was more than expected. It was recommended to continue using the rental tanks or see about only getting a 500-gallon tank for diesel.
5. Mr. Gallagher stated he attended a town hall meeting for officials sponsored by Congressman Greg Landsman. One of the topics covered was the push from the administration to convert more to electric. The Ohio Governor is looking for 5,000 locations to put charging stations. There should be many state and federal grants that will not require any match.
6. Mr. Blankenship moved to adjourn, and Mr. Lauffer seconded. All were in favor to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 PM.

Jamie Morley
Clerk to Council