

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING –

July 5, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zack Gallagher, Chris Colvin, Brian Blankenship

GUESTS PRESENT: Connie Miller, Joette Dedden, Earl Isaacs

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Copeland, Jamie Morley

1. Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM by Mr. Gallagher.
2. Quorum was achieved – Three members were present.
3. Mr. Colvin made a motion to accept the May 2nd, 2022 minutes as amended and was seconded by Mr. Blankenship.

3 Yeas

4. Chief Copeland went over ongoing and upcoming projects for the Village:
 - a. Well 10 – Received quotes from Moody and Layne which includes site location, bigger casing, and a motor to produce 500 GPM (Gallons Per Minute). Moody's quote was \$171K and Layne was \$229K. The quotes were apples to apples and includes lifting the wellhead above the flood plains. Mr. Gallagher asked if the finances were there to cover the project. Chief Copeland said the funds from American Rescue Plan can be used for this project. Mr. Colvin asked why there was such a price discrepancy between the two companies. It was stated that sometimes if a company is very busy, a company will price itself out of the job. Chief Copeland stated that Moody did Well 6 & 7 and has a good working relationship with the Village. Boone was the one that did Well 9 and Layne replaced the motors in 6 & 7. Furthermore, Mr. McKeever has received permission from Warren County to use the roadway in Bowman Park to access the land where Well 10 is proposed to be placed, from there the Village will need to install a stone drive.
 - b. Micro-surfacing should begin soon. There has been a request for Hilltop Court and the top part of Miami between Fourth and Quaker Heights. Chief Copeland will see about getting a quote to add these areas to the current quote. He believes this will be under 10K.
 - c. The contract for the donation of the Lockup to the Museum has been provided for review. If there are no issues, then Chief Copeland suggests moving forward with the donation and possibly making a motion to have an ordinance to accept the contract in the Council meeting.
 - d. Chief Copeland informed the Committee that he and Ms. Morley will not be at the next Council meeting. Mr. Colvin also stated he will also be gone.
 - e. The ranking came back for the OPWC Franklin Phase II. The Village scored 68 points and came in the middle of the other applicants. The Village will find out in July if selected. Chief Copeland stated that the Village scored lower on median household income. Waynesville dropped quite a few points after the last census. Mr. Gallagher asked what determines a tie-breaker. There were several other municipalities that scored 68 and wanted to know why Waynesville ranked higher.
 - f. Miami Valley Lighting should be replacing the light post on Robindale and will be checking for other poles that need replacing.

- g. The borrowed Clearcreek speed trailer has been placed on Route 73. The trailer is not lit to state the speed, it is only collecting data to submit a case to ODOT to see about lowering the speed on Route 73.
- h. Chief Copeland stated he was asked to research the cost for a roundabout instead of a traffic light at Route 42 and North Street. After consulting with Choice One, they indicated a roundabout would be more expensive, at least 2 million, and would most likely require the Village to purchase neighboring properties. Chief Copeland also stated that ODOT has indicated in the past that they would not allow a roundabout at that intersection but rather would close-off North Street for right turns only and place the roundabout at Franklin. North Street is the only truck route through the Village, and this would cause issues. Plus, with the installation of a roundabout, traffic would have to be detoured through Main Street during construction.
- i. The Abbreviated Safety Gant has been applied for. This is to extend the turn lanes on Route 42 and if awarded will be done this year. Even if the Village does not put a stoplight in, this may help with the flow of traffic and help prevent accidents. The amount to apply for went from \$250K to \$500K this year and Chief Copeland feels the Village has a good chance of being selected.

5. Mr. Colvin made a motion to adjourn at 6:52 PM and was seconded by Mr. Colvin.

3 Yeas

Jamie Morley
Clerk to Council