

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING –

October 3, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zack Gallagher, Brian Blankenship, Chris Colvin

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

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Copeland, Jamie Morley

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM by Mr. Gallagher.
2. Quorum was achieved – Three members were present.
3. Mr. Gallagher made a motion to accept the September 6, 2022 minutes as written and was seconded by Mr. Blankenship.

3 Yeas

4. Chief Copeland went over staffing and ongoing and future projects within the Village:
 - a. The Village is fully staffed. Michael Geyer has been hired and began working as the newest full-time officer. Darren Sewell has been hired as a water worker. He has experience with repairing and installing water lines and has the hours needed to obtain a water license. He will begin on October 10. Brian Keith has been hired as the Village's water operator with a Class II water license. He will begin on October 17.
 - b. Completed the article for the Township Magazine, which should be published soon.
 - c. Still working with ODOT on installing a traffic light at the intersection of Route 42 and North Street. It is looking favorable for the Village to receive permission and funding for this project.
 - d. Presented the expiring contract with Miami Valley Lighting to be compared with the proposed new contract.
 - e. The 2021 budget included a new truck for the Water Department. Would like to consider purchasing one this year and trading in the Canyon.
 - f. Leaf pickup will begin after Sauerkraut Festival.
 - g. The current paint sprayer used for painting curbs is not working properly. Would like to see about reconditioning the old one or purchasing a new one.
 - h. OPWC for 2023 will be announced in November.
 - i. Microsurfacing has been completed on a total of 12 roads and many residents have complimented the results. Mr. Colvin asked if there comes a point where the street is too high meeting the curb and a mill and fill is necessary. Chief Copeland stated that it may, but there is an estimated 15-year lifetime on the microsurfacing.
5. Mr. Colvin asked about the longevity of the light posts along Main Street. Chief Copeland stated that they look great with repainting. There are a few tops that are missing but could be replaced with a similar top.
6. Mr. Gallagher asked if the newly hired water operator is familiar with SCADA. Chief Copeland responded that in his previous job, he worked with several different SCADA systems and will look at the current system and see what he would recommend. Chief Copeland stated Brian Keith is also familiar with the new Wachs valve exercising machine the Village recently purchased.

7. Ms. Dedden asked about installing a sidewalk in front of the government center. Chief Copeland stated he would see about putting that on the project list for next year and could possibly be done in-house.
8. Chief Copeland stated that there is a current water leak in the parking lot at Stone House. It is the responsibility of the owners, and they will be fixing it.
9. Mr. Blankenship made a motion to adjourn at 6:50 PM and Mr. Colvin seconded the motion.

3 Yeas

Jamie Morley
Clerk to Council