

Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Joint Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

Street & Alley, Water/Sewer

7:00 AM Village Hall

— Call to Order: 7:00 AM

Roll Call: Mayor Rod Randall, Trustee Matt Bernius, Trustee Jenni Marner, Trustee Christy Miller,  
Public Works Supervisor Grant Corum

New Business:

- 1.) Discussion about budget considerations for FY 2020-2021 was led by Grant Corum. Presented was an updated version of the Capital Improvement Plan with a quick overview of changes. The water/sewer budget was presented with CIP projects in their appropriate lines. The committee was presented with the full FY 2020-2021 water/sewer budget with a line by line overview. Also presented was the FY 2020-2021 street/alley budget with a line by line overview. The Rhema Drive extension costs at this time had not been inserted into the budget while negotiations are still ongoing. The budget for both departments is ready for presentation at a future board meeting pending some finalization of estimated costs. The 2020-2025 Capital Improvement Plan will be presented to the Village Board at the February 17, 2020 meeting for action.
  - 2.) Item #4 was moved to Item #2 for discussion, because it aligned with budget discussions. A discussion of future water & sewer rate increases was led by Mayor Randall. Presented by Grant Corum was a spreadsheet of projected incomes with actual incomes for fiscal years 2016-2019. The 2019-2020 to date income was also presented to the committee, along with the current water/sewer fund balance. The originally adopted water/sewer increase would have been 8% for FY 2019-2020, the Village board voted to do a 0% increase for that timeframe and give residents a break, while examining revenues and projected expenditures. For FY 2020-2021 the increase is slated to be 6%, at this time the committee agrees to do a 3% increase for FY 2020-2021 while still maintaining a vigilant effort towards revenues and projected expenditures. This item will be presented to the Village Board at the February 17, 2020 meeting for action.
  - 3.) Discussion on water drainage issues was led by Grant Corum with a verbal list of known issue areas that the Public Works plans to address with ditching and the cleaning of culverts as soon as weather permits. Trustee Bernius added to the discussion that he would like Grant Corum to contact Consolidated Services about the possibility of constructing large retention/detention ponds to help alleviate neighborhood flooding problems in certain areas of the Village. Grant Corum added that he would concur on this idea because once the drainage ditches are full it is basically wait until the water recedes before some areas can drain properly. Grant Corum mentioned the possibility of looking into future storm sewer replacement/enlargement in the areas of E. Progress & E. Illinois. The original designed storm sewer in this area was installed with single wall pipe and with a limited amount of access points for maintenance purposes.
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- 4.) Discussion on Coles County Regional Planning Sidewalk Survey was led by Trustee Bernius. He referred to the website where the information can be viewed. The committee agreed that once the survey was completed that it would be to our advantage to start a sidewalk replacement program. The survey will indicate the areas with the highest priority for installment or replacement. The committee agrees that once complete we should come up with a plan to allocate a certain dollar amount of the street/alley budget annually for this work.

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#### General Discussion

During general discussion it was mentioned that the Away with Geese units for the wastewater lagoons had been ordered, as previously approved by the board. The Mi-Ox unit installation was discussed, which will be an item on the February 17, 2020 agenda for the Village Board. Again, recycling was a topic of discussion and ideas of how to address this ongoing situation are still in the works. Different facets of the Rhema Drive extension project were discussed amongst the committees.

Adjourned: 8:17 AM

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