

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF MANTUA, OHIO

June 30, 2015 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Called to order by Mayor Linda Clark who led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Bill Zoller, Ben Prescott, Paul Janson, John Clark

❖ Motion to excuse Giles Seith and Marty Hura made by Ben Prescott, 2nd by Bill Zoller-**All Ayes**

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Linda Clark, Clerk-Treasurer Jenny August, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer Ashlee Hawkins, Village Administrator Kate Rogers, Brian Rogers with C.T. Consultants

CITIZENS: Dave Westenfelder, Dorothy Brady, Tom Aldrich,

DISCUSSION:

Mayor Clark said that they had met in May to come up with a plan for paving projects that they want to get done this year. Mayor Clark said that she thought everything was set until she got a call from a resident last week asking why we were doing a certain procedure on Prospect Street. She said that what the resident said that we were doing is not what she thought we were going to do. She said that she talked to several council members about what they thought was approved to do at the May meeting and they thought the same thing that she did without her telling them what she thought. Mayor Clark said that after hearing what everyone had to say, she called C. T. Consultants and they explained to her what they were going to do, and she had Jenny get her a copy of the recording from the May meeting. After listening to it, she understood how Council and she could have gotten confused because when the explanation was made, it went from explaining one procedure to the other and most of council thought they were approving one procedure instead of the other. She said that when she listened to the recording, you can tell the difference between what was going to be done and what wasn't. She said that we are here today to figure out what needs to be done to Prospect Street.

Mayor Clark said the phone call she got talked about paving in the cemetery and she wanted to let people know that it was not paid for by the taxpayer, it's paid for by a Trust. She also said that the message talked about doing what was done on Elm St. and she said that was just a band aid fix, no base work was done. She said that it will last awhile since it's not a heavily used street. Mayor Clark said that she wants everyone to understand that we are trying to get away from doing band aid fixes but are also trying to stretch the \$75,000 that the residents have given us to try and do the most that we can do every year on the roads. Mayor Clark said that now we need to go back and get clarification on what we want to do and get input from the residents and their feelings. She said that she knows that we want to do base repairs when we can.

Mayor Clark said that Kate Rogers has been on Prospect St. with Brian Rogers and Dave Akerley and they have possibly determined a way to prevent the water from undermining the road in the area of the Sluka and Pietrocini house which are the two worst ones on the north side of the street.

Brian said that there are a lot of different processes that can be done to pavement depending on the condition of the pavement and they try to evaluate the pavement, which is why they went and made up the spreadsheet that they did. Brian said that our roads are pretty good since we have sand and gravel base. The water drains better and it's a better base than the clay that is around us. Brian explained what the different types of process entail.

Brian talked about the asphalt surface treatment which is where the surface is treated instead of putting down asphalt. He said that a coal tar is used which is made from coal when the surface asphalt treatment method is used. It's more expensive than what they use in regular chip and seal, but it's a better quality. It

goes down in a thin layer, and then a small slag is used that has been pre coated with material around it. After that is down, a tack coat is sprayed on top of the chips which makes it look like asphalt which helps to keep it together. He said that it's more expensive to do the surface treatment then the regular chip and seal, but it lasts longer. He said that it doesn't look like brand new asphalt, but it's roughly 1/3 the cost of asphalt. Brian said that base repair would still need to be done because if it's moving underneath, then it's going to move on top. Brian said that that this treatment is not as brittle as regular asphalt.

Brian said that to be able to do asphalt on Prospect St. from Elm St. to Maple St. it would be \$35,000 versus \$10,000 for the asphalt surface treatment. He also said that to do asphalt from the cemetery to Elm St. it would be \$72,000 for asphalt versus \$21,000 for the asphalt surface treatment. He said that we don't even have enough money left to do that since we did two other streets already. He said that he thinks that what Rich was trying to do is stretch out the dollars that we have available since we cannot off set the money against OPWC money this year. Brian said that if we did the asphalt surface treatment, it will stretch the dollars that we have left over more square yards. He said that it will not look like brand new asphalt but it will look like a new surface and there will be base repairs done under it. He said that's why Rich recommend it and he thought that everyone understood and voted for it. He said that if council decides to do some other process, they will try and make the money go as far as they can no matter what Council decides on.

Bill Zoller asked if the price we have for the asphalt surface treatment includes a fog seal and Brian said that it does. Mayor Clark asked if the price of the asphalt surface treatments included base repair. Brian said that it does. Brian said that this can be done without the fog seal but if the money is available, it's best to do it with the fog seal. Bill asked what the estimated longevity of the asphalt surface treatment is and Brian said that you will start to see wear in a few years but you would on asphalt as well and that you will start to see cracks as well. Brian said that it will be more than 5 years, said that it doesn't go away, it's always there. Mayor Clark said he talked to Alex Marino in Cleveland Heights and they said it lasts about 5-7 years. Bill said that that it seems like to him that this asphalt surface treatment is the best way to stretch the money that we have left.

Paul asked about the cold method that Brian had talked about and what the cost of that would be. Brian said that it would be more expensive then the surface asphalt treatment because a 2 inch overlay would have to be put down. Brian said that it's economically best to do this when there is no curb because you can recycle what is there without having to mill which would cut down on cost. Brian said that some of Prospect St. does have curbs and if this treatment was done, 2 inches would be lost. There needs to be enough there so when it's milled off, there is enough there to recycle. Brian said that we already have \$50,000 left to use.

John Clark said that in his mind, chip and seal is a waste of money because a few weeks after it's down, you see piles of the chips on the side of the road. He said that is what raised flags to him, people were calling it glorified chip and seal. John said that now, after Brian explained it, it seems to be a different process. Brian said that glorified chip and seal is the easiest way to try and explain the process to someone. Mayor Clark said that it's the same but different and Brian agreed.

Dave Westenfelder said that it looks like the cost of this was a surprise to council and he wanted to know if they looked at costs before they decided how much money to ask the residents for. Mayor Clark said that they did and the amount that was recommended was twice the amount than what they asked the residents for. She said that they only asked for 1/2 because they did not want the residents to have to spend too much. Jenny said that she does not think that the levy would have passed if council had asked for the full amount that was recommended to them. Dave said that if it would not have passed, at least the village would not be doing something like the asphalt surface treatment.

Dorothy Brady said that she lives on Ambler Lane, and she has lived there for over 50 years and that this is the first time she has ever complained about the roads. She said that by next year, she doesn't think that they are going to have a road anymore. She said that the road that she is driving on in front of her own house is hard for her car to go over. She said that Amber Lane is falling apart and it's being ignored. Mayor Clark said that her street is not being ignored and that all of our streets are on the spreadsheet that Council has. Dorothy asked where Ambler Lane is on the list. Paul said that its number 21. Dorothy said that her car won't be going over the road anymore if it takes that long to get to her street. Mayor Clark said that there was a lot of discussion before the decision was made to do Prospect Street. She said that Prospect St. does not have a lot of heavy traffic, but it's highly traveled. Mayor Clark said that this decision was not made lightly, and that most of our streets are bad and need some sort of repair. Dorothy said that it feels like Ambler Lane is forgotten and Mayor Clark said that it has not been forgotten. Paul said that the spreadsheet they have is just an order of streets that they did. Kate said that they only put a one inch overlay on Glenwood to try and get a few more years out of it and Dorothy said that she would settle for that. Kate said that they would like to do a better repair on each street that they do. Brian said that the village is playing catch up as well and maintaining the roads, that the village has not had a bid out road program in 22 years.

Tom Aldrich asked how long ago prospect was paved, Brian said that he was not sure but there has not been anything majorly done in over 22 years. Tom asked if Brian was familiar with a hot version that Ronyak has done of the cold patch method he was talking about. Brian said that they sold the machine because it was not working well up north here. Brian said that he stood and watched that machine work for one full day. He said that it's a machine that heats the pavement with a huge flame, it does score the pavement a little but does not go down 6 inches like paving does. Brian said that there was a section that was done with the machine that did not even last one winter. Tom said that he said that he feels that chip and seal is not worth it. He said if you can only do 10 ft. of new asphalt then do the 10 ft. this year and next year pave another 10 ft. He also wanted to know what is going to be done about the spring under Sluka's driveway, because without fixing that, there is no reason to fix the road. Tom said that he voted for the money because he thought that the roads were going to be paved, but Council can do what they feel they need to do. He said that maybe fix the bad spots only and don't do anything else. He said that chip and seal will not level the road.

Paul asked Kate if they have a plan for the spring and she said that she and Brian were up there last week and they are going to take out the sidewalk there and put in some drainage to connect to the existing storm sewer that is there. Kate said that they are going to take the apron out as well. Tom said that they are going to have to fix the spring before they fix the road.

Dave Westenfelder said that chip and seal is not addressing the problems under the road. He passed out information to council that was from a chip and seal company that said to not do it if there are any issues under the road. He said that if there is not enough money to do Prospect St. this year, then he would rather wait and be able to do it correctly.

Mayor Clark asked what Council's thoughts were. Bill said that if we only fix the problem areas, and the residents are okay with that, that's what they are basically asking Council to do. Mayor Clark said that would be doing asphalt patch repair after the water problems are fixed, Bill agreed. Mayor Clark said that to do just asphalt patch repairs on Prospect St. it's roughly \$16,000 to do from High St. to Maple St. Mayor Clark said that she believes that price does not include base repairs and Brian agreed. Mayor Clark said that Council would probably want to do base repairs where the patching is being done. Ben said that he has no problem with doing the asphalt patching. Ben said that there will be money left over and asked if it will carry over. Mayor Clark said that it can be carried over to next year or there are patch repairs that can be done on other streets. Ben said that if some rolls over, it can add to the \$75,000 that we are going to get next year and Mayor Clark said that \$50,000 of the \$75,000 that the village is going to get next year is already earmarked to go towards an 80/20 grant if we get approved so that leaves only \$25,000 left.

Brian said that before Council decided how much to ask for in the levy, they figured out how much total area there is in the village knowing some roads are new and some are on their last leg. He said that to do a 3 inch grind and overlay, which is not a complete repair, but there would be some base work done, it would cost 2.2 million dollars to do all the streets at one time.

Paul said that council was thinking that if they can do something in the 4 years that the levy is for and show some improvement, maybe next time they can ask for the \$150,000 that they were initially told to ask for. Paul said that he does not like chip and seal but the way that he looked at this when it was explained, was that it was different than chip and seal but he now thinks that it is a lot closer to it. He said that we definitely have to look at what they are going to do again. Paul said that he would still like to try the asphalt surface treatment on a street that has very little traffic. Bill said that we could possibly try the surface asphalt treatment on a little section of Prospect St. and monitor it. Ben suggested doing it on Oak St. Brian said that it's in bad shape and could be one of the worst streets in the Village. Mayor Clark said that if she had to suggest a street to try the treatment on, it would be Franklin St. from Main St. to Elm St. Kate said that she would say Franklin St. or Woodford St.

Mayor Clark said that it sounds like Council is leaning towards doing patch repairs on Prospect St. after Kate fixes the water issue. Paul asked if there is anything else that Kate wants to do on Prospect and she said that they want to enlarge 3 basins that are on the south side of the road to better catch water and replace roughly 200 ft. of pipe. Kate said that a basin and grate are roughly \$1,200-\$1,500. They are also going to need about 10 sticks of pipe and its 10 inch right now but they might go up to 12 inch.

Brian said that if Council wants to do all asphalt repairs, they can do that and there are several good contractors that can do that. Paul said that they need to figure out what streets they want to do. Brian said that they can do further down on Prospect than is marked or do the worst spots and then do some patches on other roads. Mayor Clark said that it should go back to Service. They know there is \$50,000 to work with, and then they can make recommendations back to Council. Mayor Clark said that it seems like we are not going to do any of the surface treatment this year, but that we should try it another year. Mayor Clark said that it looks like we are going to try and fix as many of the water problems as they can on Prospect St. and do patching. Kate asked Brian if the estimate for patching is for an average road or base on Prospect St. and Brian said that its base on the average road. Kate said that it will likely be more than the \$16,000 and Brian agreed.

❖ Motion to adjourn at 7:18 made by Ben Prescott, 2nd by Paul Janson-**All Ayes**

Linda Clark, Mayor

Assistant Clerk-Treasurer Ashlee Hawkins