CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLANNING MINUTES December 1st 2015 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members present: John Clark, Marty Hura, Paul Janson, Ben Prescott, Giles Seith, Bill Zoller,

Others present: Mayor Linda Clark; Clerk-Treasurer, Jenny August; Village Administrator Kate Rogers, Rich Iafelice, Brian Rogers and Jennifer Brown from CT Consultants

Citizens present: Paula Tubalkain

Discussion of Capital improvements

Potential projects that were discussed:

Mini Park- We applied for a grant twice for this project and the Commissioners found better projects to fund. Brian Rogers thought we could take the project and accomplish it a little at a time instead of doing one large project all at once.

Mill Street Area Connector Trail-We received a grant to fund this project. The Benner's have offered to donate an easement for their property so the trail can continue without stopping. The exact route for the trail on the east side of Route 44 is still being determined based on our ability to get easements from adjacent property owners.

Mats Road Bridge- Linda said that Kate worked with ODOT to get the bridge listed on the state registry. Now we will be eligible to apply for grants to get the bridge re-built. The Mayor mentioned one grant that we are hoping to be invited to apply for that is a zero match grant. Jennifer Brown talked about EDA funding for this. She explained what EDA was and said it was a 50/50 grant and that is why we never applied for it, because we don't have the money for the other half of the project. Bill Zoller thinks that the people who would benefit from having this bridge done should contribute money to help this. Linda said some of the businesses said they would help but never got anything in writing.

Northeast Quadrant Waterline- This is a high priority project because it has a 4 in. diameter pipe. The pipe is so small and is higher up, therefore it has low pressure. If we ever had a fire up there it would be unsafe. We applied for a grant and a loan. The village turned down for the loan because of our situation with the school, and now that we have a good working relationship with the school, it may be time to get on this grant again.

Waterline Valve Replacement- We have a lot of valves that do not work. This type of project would likely rank highly for funding.

Fire Hydrant Replacement- We applied for and got a grant to replace about 5 or 6 fire hydrants in 2013. We also repaired several more. Kate said we still have money to do two more but we have not done it yet.

Storm Sewer Structures Repair and Replacement- There remains a lot of work that could be done to the storm sewers. Funding is slim because they are not considered priority projects.

Downtown- Total cost is about 1 million dollars. There are many things that could be done to spruce up downtown but there is not much funding available. So Brian Rogers suggested doing small parts to do this instead of doing a big project. Jennifer mentioned two programs that we could research if we are interested in a project to improve the look of downtown.

Road improvements of the Roadways- We have to have some reason for safety standards to apply for grants to improve our roadways. We cannot just use the grant money for overlay.

Canada road- We did fix it up some, and we did a lot of patching and some chip and seal when we had EMA money in 2013. But there are still not a lot of funding opportunities here.

Sanitary Sewer and Waterline Extension on East high- It would not make a lot of sense because of the small number of additional customers but we could apply for an OPWC grant.

Gravity Sanitary Sewer- We could probably get OPWC funding for this and eliminate the pump station on Ambler Lane.

Sidewalk Improvements-We could put in a sidewalk from 44 to the Middle School so kids do not have to walk on the side of the road. Because there is busing all through the Village, there is a good chance we will not get a grant for this.

Storm Water Funding- Potential to put in a retention pond to pick up water to avoid flooding. Brian Rogers said we need to come up with some improvement here. There was some funding from the EPA to come up with a more ecofriendly solution, however, they stopped doing it. Jennifer Brown mentioned the Euclid project- federal EPA Great Lakes money. We could potentially use this because of the Cuyahoga River drainage.

Telemetry-Water plant was built 19 years ago and the waste water plant was redone about 12 years ago. The telemetry system parts are not sold anymore so we would no longer be able to make repairs to our system. Good opportunity for OPWC funding.

South End Lighting- DMRC has been talking about this a lot. Linda said they have been going down to the lighting place and the company is going to work with them to give them a good deal. Kate gave them a 13 light quote. They are raising money for this project.

Anything else that may properly come before this Council

John Clark mentioned that the repair of the Reservoir lid should be added to this list. Kate said that it needs to be cleaned as well. Rich mentioned that it has not been clean since 2004. It is falling apart so parts of the lid are probably in the water.

Paul Janson mentioned a wind mill to power the utilities.

Kate mentioned that she would like to apply for grants to focus on roadways and other projects rather than the utility plants because hopefully they will be taken over and not be our problem anymore.

Rich and Jennifer talked about working together with the County to reduce costs to give us a better chance of getting government money because it will cost less overall if everyone is working together and solving two problems at once.

Jennifer talked about in the past how government did not fund a lot of community improvement projects and she talked about how to better our chances of getting these funds from capital projects. She gave us recommendations on how we would be a better candidate to get these funds.

Bill Zoller argued that this would be a good time to apply for repairs for Canada road because it has been used by the County and State as a detour during multiple major projects in the last two years.

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*Motion to adjourn at 7:32pm was made by Councilman Ben Prescott and seconded by Councilm Bill Zoller. All voted aye.	
Mayor Linda Clark	Randi Lyle Administrative Assistant