

Service Committee Minutes
August 6th, 2019

Councilman Scott Weaver called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Members present: Councilman Scott Weaver, Councilman Paula Tubalkain and Councilman Bob Gaglione

Others present: Mayor Linda Clark, Village Administrator; John E. Trew, Administrative Assistant; Chelsea Gregor, Ellie Stamm and Jason Heilman

Pledge of Allegiance

❖ Motion to accept the July 2nd Service Committee meeting minutes by Paula Tubalkain , 2nd by Bob Gaglione-All Ayes

Citizens- Ellie Stamm and Jason Heilman

Ellie and Jason, from Stamm Contracting showed up to hear options for the street widening project at Main St. and Orchard St. Service discussed the different options. The Mayor met with Phil Rath from Compass Packaging who liked option #1 which is \$62,000 for the street widening project. The project is a 50/50 grant and so the Village would have to come up with half of the money. John spoke to local businesses regarding donations for the project and said that Compass would donate \$5,000, Stamm Contracting- \$5,000, Aetna Plastic- \$3,000, DMRC would donate between \$3,000-\$5,000, and Sierra Trucking-\$5,000. Ellie explained her thoughts on the project and cost, and felt it should cost a lot less and that engineering makes it more costly and complicated. Phil Rath from Compass is concerned that the power outage, because of moving the electric poles, would effect too many people and considered taking a step back from the project and using the money for the Mats Rd. bridge instead. Jason explained that the project could cost less if the curb was softened, and if Stamm's supplied materials. John explained that the project needed to be ODOT certified because Main St. is a state route. Service discussed the cost of moving the poles and the various options available for the project. Ellie said that it seems the project can be done cheaper, and they will offer their time and materials. John stated that the project must be ODOT certified and Ellie said that they are not certified at this time. There was discussion about the Villages lack of funds and Jason said that he took offense because they need access to their property. Service also discussed the possibility of in kind services for the project and Ellie stated that Orchard and Main is a dangerous intersection. Ellie then spoke about the issues that Stamm has had with being able to provide concrete to the Village because of CT Consultants and their engineer request for QC mix concrete for Village projects. Service, John and the Mayor were unaware that Stamm had that limitation put on them. Ellie then named surrounding villages and cities that Stamm's provides concrete for, adding that they do not provide for Mantua Village. The Mayor said she will talk to Jenny and Rich about it. Ellie said they can be certified, but it is not worth the extra money since the jobs that require it are so few.

Village Administrator's Report

John said he has been working with the Mayor on the water and sewer, and that they will have a meeting with the County of August 15th. There are test wells on Compass property along their parking lot. There was a no dig clause when Phil Rath bought the property and so he is apprehensive about any work that needs to be done there. There is 10 feet on Mill St. and 20 feet on Orchard St. that would need to be dug up. The rest is underground piping. Michele said that she would like a letter from Phil saying that the Village cannot dig just in case anything were to happen before the issue is fixed. Scott expressed his concerns for the funds available for the sewer project and the Mats Rd bridge project, and will have to check with the fiscal officer.

Review of Legislation- None

New Business

John said that the Service Dept. found the manhole and sewer at the Snyder house. He also met with the contractor and Cooley. The old meter is still in the house and the valve seems old. In order to reconnect in the house they will have to turn the water off at the street and replace a 5 foot piece of pipe. John explained what he had seen at the Snyder house and said that if they want to add water and sewer to the apartment there would have to be an 18" inch separation with water on top and sanitary on the bottom. They could connect water from the street but would have to tap in a new sewer line. No information could be found for them being grandfathered in for their well from 1983. The Service Committee did not want to grandfather them in and would prefer for the court to decide. Randy then explained his feelings towards the situation and the rest of Service agreed. Scott stated, "Well, see that's my feeling, my feeling is if we can say you can, your house is tied in. Like John said, a 5 foot piece of copper you're on Village water and the house is reconnected and you're done. Now if you wanna do new construction and put in an apartment then that, everything that goes along with the construction project is a new tap in fee. So sewer and water you are going to have to pay a tap in fee for this new apartment. Your house is covered but the well is gone. I mean if that's the way the statute reads right, isn't that what you said? If there's Village water available, or Village utilities available then that has to be,.... Then they can take us to court."

- ❖ Motion to go forward with what Scott said by Paula Tubalkain, 2nd by Bob Gaglione- **All Ayes**

The Mayor asked if Service would like to freeze the rates. Service discussed the options and John suggested not to freeze the rates since the sewer fund needs money for the project. The Mayor suggested freezing the rates in 2020 and removing all the rate increases after 2019 in the Codified. Paula said she would rather address the rates now instead of at Council.

- ❖ Motion to send legislation to freeze sewer and water to the 2019 rate increase by Paula Tubalkain, 2nd by Scott Weaver- **All Ayes**

Urban Growers in checking into weekender hanging baskets for the bridge flowers.

Teresa Lee from Italiano's received a large water bill at 8,250 cubic feet. She brought in a plumber and it was found that there was a toilet leaking which has since been fixed. The Mayor asked if Service would like to do anything, and Service recommended talking about it at the Council meeting.


Old Business

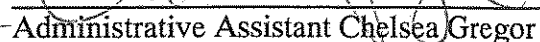
Storm water management is on hold. There has been no change in the storm sewer repair/replacement for Rhonda Pikus. There is a meeting August 19th to find out information on the Round 34 OPWC funds. Asset Management is handled. John met with Roger Hawkins and they talked about the curb at his residence on W. High St. He said that they plan on putting in a 4" inch curb. Service said that if the project is under \$3,000 that John does not need approval.

Anything else that may properly come before this committee

Adjournment

- ❖ Motion to adjourn at 7:06 pm was made by Scott Weaver, 2nd by Bob Gaglione - **All Ayes**


Committee Chair Scott Weaver


Administrative Assistant Chelsea Gregor