

Service Committee Minutes
Dec. 3rd, 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, Marty Fergus

Pledge of Allegiance

- ❖ Motion to approve the November 5th, 2019 Service Committee meeting minutes by Paula Tubalkain, 2nd by Bob Gaglione-**All Ayes**

Citizens- None

Village Administrator's Report

John has been working on a contingency plan if the referendum passes. Scott asked when the referendum needs to be turned in by and John said December 19th. The commissioners will be meeting on December 20th.

John and the Mayor will meet with a company to run the plants if the referendum passes. They will also be meeting with Neptune to check on replacing meter heads for all the residences that are unable to have meters read from the outside.

The Service committee asked if anyone had heard anything about the referendum and Chelsea said that they had dropped off the certified copy that day and that they can start collecting signatures.

John explained different possibilities of collecting money and paying for any water and sewer repairs. Service talked about the merger agreement. Scott stated that Village residents knew about the merger.

Review of Legislation- None

New Business

Service discussed changes to the water and sewer billing. The Mayor recommended an \$87 surcharge to be split between water and sewer. Scott discussed putting the effects of the referendum in the paper to explain to residents. John stated that the Village is one water break away from a potential disaster. The Service committee discussed the monetary aspects and are afraid of the Village going into fiscal watch again. The Village has contacted the EPA to be in compliance. There was a 2015 EPA lid violation. The Village is currently looking at \$140,000-\$200,000 for meter replacements and \$65,000 for the reservoir repair.

Gene Roberts told John that he will work with the Village and try to leave part of the SKADA system. The Mayor reminded Service of the email that was sent out to employees that as of December 1st the employee handbook will be more strictly enforced.

The Mayor spoke about residential water and sewer payment plans and shut offs.

Neptune spoke to the Mayor and said that funding is available for new meters.

Scott asked if the Village should have another special Council meeting to talk about meters and charges. Service talked about needing money for wages and John had a quote for about \$17,000 just to run the plants, without street maintenance.

There needs to be new heating replaced at the sewer plant.

Service discussed cancelling the Planning meeting on December 10th to have a special Council meeting. They also talked about sending out an AMG Alert to inform residents of the meeting.

- ❖ Motion to put forward an ordinance to have a monthly \$86.79 surcharge discussion to Finance as identified with the County Agreement by Paula Tubalkain, 2nd by Bob Gaglione-All Ayes

Service discussed putting forward an \$86.79 surcharge and using the County's financial breakdowns. Paula suggested that the Village start metering the water and paying for it.

Service discussed phase III of the Buchert Park improvement. There is a grant due February 1, 2020. Paula suggested that the Village should think about Regional Planning to help with the grant. The Mayor said that they currently do not have a grant writer but that the Village should consider using Regional Planning whenever possible.

- ❖ Motion to take phase III to Council and have Michele write legislation by Scott Weaver, 2nd by Bob Gaglione - All Ayes

Storm water management fees were briefly discussed and agreed to be tabled by Service. The Village will be hiring a full time employee for Service and part time plow drivers. Mike Haynie from John Edward Dr. is requesting forgiveness on his water bill. John stated that the leak occurred on his property.

Old Business

Workman has done work at Main and Mill St. CT is working on easement paperwork for Compass, Ballentine, Pifer and Hoffman. The survey effects four properties, 3 out of the 4 easements have been signed.

Asset Management is being handled by CT Consultants and was tabled.

The curb on high street is being tabled for the moment.

Anything else that may properly come before this committee

The Mayor will send an email out to Council to schedule a special meeting.


Last month Kimble sent the Village a letter requesting an additional \$.60 cents for recycling and this month Kimble sent a letter requesting \$.60 cents additional for trash. John suggested to the Mayor to check the contract for clauses, because the Village is still under contract.

Service then discussed sending out a letter to residents so that Chelsea does not have to answer questions personally if residents call or stop in the Village Hall.

Adjournment

- ❖ Motion to adjourn at 7:28 pm was made by Paula Tubalkain, 2nd by Scott Weaver - All Ayes


Committee Chair Scott Weaver


Administrative Assistant Chelsea Gregor