

Minutes of Perrysburg Public Utilities Committee

Meeting Held September 28, 2022

CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Chairperson Kevin Fuller.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members present were Kevin Fuller, Jan Materni, and Jonathan Smith. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, Kate Sandretto, Law Director, Matt Choma, Director of Public Utilities, and Brian Thomas, City Engineer.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

Debra Testen, 1804 Lexington Drive, asked about the Fort Meigs ditch project and stated that their home backs up to it.

RESIDENT, FAITHFUL JEH - REQUEST FOR SEWER CREDIT FOR WATER USED OUTDOORS

Ms. Jeh was not present.

APPROVAL OF 08/24/2022 MEETING MINUTES

There being no objections, the minutes of the August 24, 2022 meeting were approved 3-0.

SEWER CREDITS TABULATION

Mr. Choma stated that there was one sewer credit for \$118 at 113 East Sixth Street for a broken pipe in their basement.

LEGISLATION FOR ARCHITECT FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES BUILDING

Mr. Thomas stated that this is for an agreement with Bowen and Associates for design services for the development of the new Public Utilities building. He added that there are two steps which are meetings with the department to understand needs and the floor plan/rendering. Ms. Kabat stated that there is not one unused space in that building currently and that it is also not up to ADA code. There being no objections, the Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend this to City Council.

UPDATE REGARDING FT. MEIGS DITCH REPAIRS AND MULTI-USE PATH

Ms. Kabat stated that this has been underway since 2016 to find the scope and estimated costs. Mr. Thomas reviewed with the Committee the pros and cons of doing a retaining wall versus a ditch enclosure. Ms. Kabat noted that vegetation does need to be removed with either option and there are only certain months of the year where they can remove trees. Mr. Choma also noted the pros and cons, and added that prairie

grasses could be planted to combat the change in habitat there. Debra and Terrence Testen, 1804 Lexington Drive, are concerned about the wildlife that lives there and also noted that the trees add a level of security and privacy to their backyard. Mr. Smith noted that the sidewalk there is already collapsing in places.

UPDATES ON SANITARY AND STORM WATER

Ms. Sandretto requested that they enter Executive Session. Mr. Smith made a motion to enter Executive Session. Seconded by Ms. Materni. There being no objections, the Committee agreed 3-0 and entered into Executive Session at 7:17 p.m.

Ms. Sandretto requested that they return from Executive Session. Mr. Smith made a motion to return from Executive Session. Seconded by Ms. Materni. There being no objections, the Committee agreed 3-0 and returned from Executive Session at 7:46 p.m.

Mr. Choma stated that he is proposing legislation to authorize an agreement with Arcadis for the completion of the Integrated Plan and the Amended Long Term Control Plan for the Department of Public Utilities. This would be Phase One of this project for which Arcadis will complete a comprehensive analysis of the sanitary sewer and storm water systems to identify system deficiencies, project future demand, perform distribution system modeling, and recommend system improvements.

Mr. Choma noted that this will take thirteen months to complete. Ms. Kabat added that this will encompass a priority list of projects. Mr. Fuller stated that he is adamant about getting something done. Mr. Smith added that this shows their commitment to finding solutions, and that to be done correctly, it cannot be done quickly. There being no objections, the Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend this to City Council.

OTHER BUSINESS

The pump on Maple Street was asked about. Mr. Choma noted that part of the project is eliminating that structure. Ms. Sandretto added that they are in the process of renewing with the EPA.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Fuller, Chairperson
Public Utilities Committee

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.