

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

APRIL 26, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Jonathan Smith. Committee members present were Jonathan Smith, Barry VanHoozen and Becky Williams. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, and Alice Godsey, Director of Public Utilities.

MOTIONS ON SEWER APPEALS

Ms. Godsey requested approval of a sewer credit for Janet Hulbert, 1427 South Redhawk Drive, in the amount of \$2,287.01. There was a control failure on the water back-up sump pump. The Department of Public Utilities verified that the water went into the storm sewer and the water back-up sump pump has been removed. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of a sewer credit for Janet Hulbert, 1427 S. Redhawk Drive, in the amount of \$2,287.01.

Ms. Godsey also requested approval of a sewer credit for Nancy Burhans, 649 South Ridge Drive, in the amount of \$1,407.88 because their sump pump failed and it went into the water back-up sump pump. It was verified that the water went down the storm sewer. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of a sewer credit for Nancy Burhans, 649 South Ridge Drive in the amount of \$1,407.88.

AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS, SEWER REHAB PROJECT WITH OPWC FUNDS

Ms. Godsey requested permission to advertise for bids for a sewer rehab project. She distributed a map showing the area between Maple and Hickory Streets, south of Front Street and north of East Seventh Street. The estimated cost to do the entire project is \$575,000. The total amount budgeted is \$493,000 with \$175,000 coming from the Ohio Public Works Commission. However, Ms. Godsey said that they want to include the entire area in the bids and then evaluate it once we receive the bid prices. Mr. Smith clarified that once the bids come back if the price is too high we will scale back the area to be completed, and he asked if there was a particular location that would be removed from the project. Ms. Godsey said that it will depend on the unit prices because there are different sized lines. The Committee discussed the process of how a liner is inserted into the sanitary sewer lines to restore the structural integrity of the line. Ms. Kabat said that we know we are hitting an area where there is a lot of I & I from the AECOM data. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend going to bid for the sewer rehab project.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO UPDATE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS

Ms. Godsey provided the Committee with proposed changes to Chapter 1015 dealing with construction site storm water management. Some of the changes are due to Ohio EPA requirements and it also incorporates information from the TMACOG Storm Water

Coalition. This item will be on next month's agenda to allow Ms. Godsey more time to crosscheck code sections and to allow the Law Director to review it.

AUTHORIZE MISCELLANEOUS FEE UPDATES

Ms. Godsey presented a table showing the current and proposed changes to miscellaneous fees in Chapter 1060.04(c). The changes to the water tap and meter charges are an attempt to cover the actual costs of labor and materials. Mr. VanHoozen asked the last time they were updated. Ms. Godsey said that some changes were made in 2012. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the fee update.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. VanHoozen thanked the Administration for the answers regarding backflow for potable water. There was discussion regarding other communities' requirements. Ms. Kabat said the Department of Public Utilities is working on a spreadsheet regarding backflow locations within the City.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Smith, Chairman
Public Utilities Committee

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

