

HEALTH, SANITATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

MARCH 22, 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 Amanda Puccetti, 1840 Fallen Oak Circle, in the amount of \$1,799.65. Ms. Puccetti's sump pump malfunctioned so the water back-up sump pump ran for an extended period of time. The Department of Public Utilities verified that the excess flow went to the storm sewer and not into the sanitary sewer system. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of a sewer credit for Amanda Piccetti, 1840 Fallen Oak Circle, in the amount of \$1,799.65.

Ms. Godsey also requested approval of a sewer credit for Drew and Monica Nitschke, 1845 Watermill Lane, in the amount of \$1,196.82 for the same reason as the previous request. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of a sewer credit for Drew and Monica Nitschke, 1845 Watermill Lane, in the amount of \$1,196.82.

AUTHORIZE LEASE OF FLOW METERS

Ms. Godsey requested approval of an ordinance authorizing a lease agreement with ADS Flow Meters for seven flow meters and one rain gauge for five months. The cost of the lease for the five months would be \$36,000. The purpose is to identify the source of extraneous flow and flow patterns occurring during rain events. The flow meters will be placed in the Three Meadows and Brookhaven subdivisions and at the Southview Estates mobile home park. Funds for this request are in the 2017 budget. Mr. Smith asked how long there has been an issue at these locations. Ms. Kabat said that Brookhaven has had issues since it came online and both the City and the developer have tried a variety of things to diagnose the problem. She said that they can find out from Mark Dunsmoor the number of occurrences outside of Brookhaven. Ms. Godsey said that they want to capture as much of the spring rain as they can and if enough data is captured in the early months, they can suspend the lease agreement. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the lease agreement with ADS Flow Meters.

AUTHORIZE ARCADIS TO DESIGN PAVEMENT REPLACEMENT FOR PINE STREET/MULBERRY WATERLINE REPLACEMENT

Ms. Godsey distributed a map showing the undersized waterlines that need to be replaced in the city. She said that Arcadis began the design three to five years ago and it sat on a shelf. She requested approval of an ordinance authorizing Arcadis to complete the final design of the Pine Street and Mulberry Street water main replacement including pavement replacement. The cost is \$82,000 and would include the final design, get it ready for bid, and the bidding process. The four inch lines will be replaced with 8" PVC

lines. This will provide more stable water pressure, improve fire protection, reduce the likelihood of water main breaks and reduce discoloration. Mr. Smith asked what the lifespan of the PVC lines are. Ms. Godsey said that it's probably fifty or more years. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the agreement with Arcadis.

RECOMMEND HULL & ASSOCIATES FOR DITCH MAINTENANCE CONSULTING

Ms. Kabat stated that a committee consisting of Ms. Godsey, Mark Dunsmoor, Jon Eckel, Doug Dariano and herself reviewed the RFQ's for the ditch maintenance plan. She said that they are recommending Hull & Associates. She said that any of the firms could do the work and they will work with whoever City Council selects, but they like the approach that Hull & Associates proposed. They propose to walk through the Fort Meigs Road ditch as a case study and provide a handbook or guidebook at the end of the study. Ms. Kabat said that Hull & Associates was middle of the road on price. Mr. Smith read an email he received from Jamey and Rachel Schmitz, 1591 Watermill Lane, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. Mr. Smith asked about the difference between Hull & Associates and CEC's proposal which was the firm with the lowest price. Ms. Kabat said that CEC focused more on the scientific side and they did not walk us through it with a usable tool. There was discussion regarding the number of hours proposed by each firm. Ms. Kabat said that Hull has done work with the city before when a ditch was relocated so they are familiar with our area. Ms. Williams asked where the funds will come from to pay for the study. Ms. Godsey said it will be paid for from the 332 Fund. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of an ordinance authorizing an agreement with Hull & Associates for a ditch maintenance plan.

MISCELLANEOUS FEE UPDATES

Ms. Kabat stated that Ms. Godsey is undertaking looking at miscellaneous water and sewer fees in the Code. She is working with her staff to see if the fees are still the right amount or if they need to be adjusted. Ms. Williams asked how she will be going about this and if she will be comparing our fees to other jurisdictions. Ms. Godsey said that she will be basing it on the cost to the city based on our experience. She added that she is looking at a processing fee for delinquencies which is new because a lot of work is involved with a delinquent account. Ms. Godsey will be making a proposal to the committee regarding fees in the future.

PROPOSAL TO RENAME HSPU COMMITTEE

Ms. Kabat said that a year ago John Kevern, as President of Council, recommended moving refuse and recycling from HSPU to the Service Committee so all Service Department issues, except for Recreation, would go to the Service Committee. This would only require a name change. The committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of changing the name of the committee to the Public Utilities Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Williams asked about boil advisories and how homeowners are notified. Ms. Godsey said that if the pressure goes below 20 psi a boil advisory is needed for affected

properties. The residents are notified by a door hanger advising them of the boil advisory and another door hanger when the advisory has been lifted.

Mr. VanHoozen asked Ms. Godsey to put something together regarding backflow of potable water.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Smith, Chairman
Health, Sanitation & Public Utilities Committee

Next meeting: Wednesday April 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

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Subject: Re: HSPU Meeting Wednesday

Hi Jonathan,

When the company does the study, make sure they know that the end goal is to completely restore the trees, the location of, the diameter of each trunk, the type of tree for all 90 of the trees that were chain sawed down.

If for some reason, and it needs to be a good reason, that a tree cannot be placed in the same exact location (the stump will obviously need to be removed, as well as the old root system) there should be a complete explanation as to why this cannot be accomplished and an alternate plan given for that tree. A lack of money is not an acceptable answer as to why this cannot be accomplished. The City needs to restore to the highest degree humanly possible the trees along the Ft. Meigs' thoroughfare. Period. Do not allow the Administration to change the plain meaning of words. What was destroyed, was not "woody vegetation" (Bridgette Kabat), but 90 trees and they need to be restored. The City needs to fix this mistake.

Also, it is time to start identifying a fence that is aesthetically pleasing, while also providing safety for the citizens.

Today is the first day of Spring, trees can soon be planted.

Please submit this email to the public record on Wednesday on our behalf, and distribute to the other members of the committee.

Thank you for once again, reaching out to us for comment on this unfortunate situation.

Best,

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