HEALTH, SANITATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 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.

SEWER APPEAL

Ms. Godsey requested approval of a sewer appeal for David and Kimberly Wiley, 1855 Sagebrush Court in the amount of $1,019.20. The Wiley's had a sump pump failure and the water back-up sump pump ran for some time. Ms. Godsey said that they verified the water did not go down the sewer and the Wiley's provided a copy of the receipt showing that it has been repaired. Mr. VanHoozen asked how the credit is calculated, and Ms. Godsey said that prior years' history is used. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of a sewer credit in the amount of $1,019.20 for David and Kimberly Wiley, 1855 Sagebrush Court. *(motion)*

LEGISLATION FOR CSSD 211 PHASE 2

Ms. Godsey requested approval of two pieces of legislation for Cherry Street Sewer Separation District 211 Phase 2. The first is accepting the report of the Equalization Board. The Equalization Board met on February 9 and ruled in every case that there was no valid reason to change the special assessment. Mr. Smith asked about the nature of the objections, and Ms. Kabat said the majority of the objections were that they did not want to pay. The second piece of legislation is authorization to proceed and advertise for bids. The Committee agreed 2-0 to recommend approval of the legislation. Ms. Williams abstained.

AMEND AECOM ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT

Ms. Godsey requested approval of an extension to May 15, 2017 for the AECOM contract to allow them more time to compile the data obtained for the sanitary sewer and combined sewer flow analysis. There is no change in the amount of the contract, just an extension of time. Mr. VanHoozen asked if they have enough data for their report. Ms. Godsey said that they do, they would like more time to compile the data. Mr. Smith said that he has no problem with it because we extended the collection time. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the time extension for the AECOM contract to May 15, 2017.

2017 AMENDED BUDGET

Ms. Kabat reviewed the water and sewer related items in the proposed budget amendment including additional dollars for the Mulberry and Pine Street water line replacement, a sewer camera to replace a twelve year old camera, dollars for the dissolved oxygen permit requirements, and design of storm sewer project south of Grassy

Creek. Mr. Smith asked why the additional dollars were needed for the water line replacement project on Mulberry and Pine. Ms. Kabat said that the original estimate may have been an internal estimate and now there is an engineer's estimate. Ms. Godsey said that there has not been an engineering study, it is just a more recent estimate. Mr. VanHoozen asked from where to where on Mulberry and Pine the water lines will be replaced. Ms. Kabat said that a 4" line between Seventh and South Boundary needs to be replaced. Mr. Smith asked how much is set aside for emergencies like line breaks. Ms. Godsey said that there are materials and overtime budgeted in both water and sewer. Ms. Kabat added that there is $300,000 in materials in both the 331 and 332 funds. Mr. Smith asked Ms. Godsey if she feels there is enough budgeted to handle potential emergencies, and Ms. Godsey said that she is comfortable with the budgeted amounts. Ms. Kabat said that she will follow-up on the cost estimate for the Mulberry and Pine water line and will send it to the committee.

STATUS REPORT ON DITCH MAINTENANCE CONSULTING

Ms. Godsey reported that proposals were received from CEC, Hull, and Spicer Group. There is a committee working on reviewing the proposals and she hopes to have additional information by next month's meeting. Mr. Smith asked about the cost estimate. Ms. Kabat said that cost is part of the evaluation process but it does not account for more than ten points. She said that she thinks the proposals fit within the original estimate. Mr. Smith asked if they are all local firms. Ms. Godsey stated that Spicer Group is located in southeastern Michigan and the other two firms have Toledo offices.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Smith, Chairman
Health, Sanitation & Public Utilities Committee

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.