

HEALTH, SANITATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

JANUARY 22, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Todd Grayson. Committee members present were: Todd Grayson, John Kevern and Tim McCarthy. Also present were Law Director Mathew Beredo, Service Director Jon Eckel, Director of Public Utilities Tim Warren, and Deputy Finance Director Tim Fisher.

RESOLUTION TO PUT TRANSPORTATION LEVY ON BALLOT

Mr. Beredo reported that we received the certificate of estimated property tax revenue back from Wood County. A levy of .8 mills would generate \$459,146 based on a total tax valuation of \$573,933,220. The next step is to approve a resolution to place the levy on the ballot. Mr. Beredo stated that he circulated the last version of the ballot language to the Committee. He said we can submit ballot language or we can allow the Board of Elections and Secretary of State to draft it. He noted that the Secretary of State will make the final decision on the ballot language. Mr. Grayson said that he would like it to say that the transportation is for the general public, but especially for seniors and the disabled. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of a resolution placing the .8 mill levy on the May 7th ballot. They also recommended that the ballot language include verbiage that the transportation services are for the general public but especially for seniors and the disabled.

Mr. Grayson said Perrysburg 4 Transit is looking for information about the amount riders will have to pay and about specific hours. He said it has been suggested that we charge \$2 a ride for ADA and Dial a Ride, and make the morning and evening shuttle free. He said this promotes business and it could help cut down on the costlier custom service. Sara Weisenburger said they are trying to sell the levy, and they don't know what they're selling. Mr. Grayson said that hopefully within 30-45 days we will finalize with Ride Right and we will go over the statistics with them to see what the service should look like on day one. He said that Perrysburg 4 Transit is welcome to come up with a plan for fees and hours for the Committee and Administration to review. Becky Williams asked if we know for sure that Ride Right is going to be the provider. Mr. Grayson said that we want them to be the provider because they did a great job, and they want to do it. Mr. Beredo noted that there has been no ordinance authorizing a contract with Ride Right as all past ordinances were based on the November levy.

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHERRY STREET SEWER SEPARATION DISTRICT 210

Mr. Warren reported that the legal description identifying the properties in Cherry Street Sewer Separation District 210 has been prepared, and an ordinance is needed to establish the district. This is a \$1.7 million dollar project that is in the 2013 budget. Mr. Warren noted

that there are only two districts left after 210. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of an ordinance establishing Cherry Street Sewer Separation District 210.

CHANGE ORDER FOR CSSD 209

Mr. Warren stated that CSSD 209 is currently under construction. It has been the City's practice the last several years to replace undersized, aging water mains in conjunction with the sewer separation projects. The existing contract for CSSD 209 already includes replacing some 4" water mains on Perry Drive, but they would also like to replace some 4" lines on Mulberry and Indiana. The estimated cost is \$125,000 and will come from the Water Replacement and Extension fund. Mr. Grayson clarified that money is in the budget for this type of situation. Mr. Warren said it is, and he also met with the Finance Director to discuss this. Mr. Kevern asked how old the water mains are. Mr. Warren said they were able to confirm that some water mains in that area are about seventy years old. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the Change Order for CSSD 209.

AGREEMENT WITH RIDGE STONE BUILDERS FOR SANITARY SEWER ON FORT MEIGS ROAD

Mr. Warren requested approval of an ordinance authorizing an agreement with Ridge Stone Builders to extend the sanitary sewer on Fort Meigs Road. The sewer will extend from the pump station at Rivers Edge subdivision and will serve four houses on Fort Meigs Road north of Five Point Road and could potentially serve two more houses and two vacant lots. The developer will provide easements. Mr. Kevern asked if the sewers will be in the rear yard. Mr. Warren said they will be in the rear yards of the houses on the east side of Fort Meigs Road. Ridge Stone has said they cannot guarantee that they will use it for their next development, but part of the agreement will be that if they use it in the future, they will pay for their share. Mr. Warren said the cost will be approximately \$39,000. Mr. Grayson asked how much each homeowner will pay to tap into it. Mr. Warren said homeowners will pay around \$2,000 each in tap fees and capital expansion charges. He added that we are required by the EPA, as part of our NPDES permit, to show that we are taking positive action and this sewer extension will eliminate four septic systems. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of an agreement with Ridge Stone Builders to extend the sanitary sewer on Fort Meigs Road.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Warren said that during the weekend of January 12th and 13th some areas of the City received nearly 3" of rain. This caused flooding issues and high flows at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. There were also numerous water breaks over that weekend and during the following week. Mr. Warren said there are ten employees on the water and sewer crews. They are very dedicated and are good at what they do. Mr. Warren said he wanted to recognize them for a job well done.

Mr. Grayson said the yard waste bag pick-up plan was on last month's agenda but it was tabled to investigate alternative programs. DSolv is out of the Columbus area and they make a bag that is mesh so it does not rip or hold water. Mr. Grayson said he cannot see a downside to using the DSolv bags, but logistically he is not sure how it would work. Mr. McCarthy asked if they are the same size as the paper bags and what the advantage would be to homeowners. Mr. Grayson said they are 45 gallon bags so they will actually hold more, they won't rip and they are easier to carry. He said the people that pick them up should love them because they won't fall apart. Mr. Eckel explained that the yard waste bag program is budget neutral and the way the program works, Modern Disposal handles it and the City is not really involved. Mr. Eckel said he has no objection to the DSolv bags as long as the City remains uninvolved in the process. Mr. Grayson said he will have DSolv work directly with Modern Disposal. He said that the yard waste bag pick-up program should be on next month's agenda so we can finalize it.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd Grayson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Todd Grayson, Chairman
Health, Sanitation, and Public Utilities Committee