

Minutes of Perrysburg Public Utilities Committee

Meeting Held November 20, 2024

CALL TO ORDER - 4:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairperson Kevin Fuller.

ROLL CALL

Committee members present were Kevin Fuller, Rick Rettig, and Kerry Wellstein. Staff members present were Matt Choma, Brian Homer, and Joe Fawcett.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

None.

APPROVAL OF 10/23/24 MEETING MINUTES

There being no objections, the minutes of the October 23, 2024 meeting were approved.

SEWER CREDITS TABULATION

Mr. Choma distributed a list of sewer credits approved since the last meeting. There were three credits totaling \$515.26. Two were for back-up sump pumps and the third was due to a leak. The year to date total for sewer credits is \$8,605.39.

16" WATERMAIN RIVER CROSSING CONDITION ASSESSMENT

Mr. Choma informed the Committee that the 16" watermain that goes under the river is partially exposed due to erosion. He said that this is outside his area of expertise, so we may need to consult with a marine engineer.

DIGESTER IMPROVEMENTS BID OPENING

Mr. Choma said that one bid was received for the second phase of the digester improvements at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The bid was from Peterson Construction Company in the amount of \$7,862,000. Mr. Choma stated that the legislation contains a 10% contingency which brings the total to \$8,648,200. He said that they are requesting approval as an emergency because if we get it approved by the end of the year, we might qualify for some grant funding. Mr. Rettig asked about the timeline of the project, and Mr. Choma said there is a 52-week lead time on the boilers, and the project will be completed in 2026. The Committee agreed 3-0 to forward this on to City Council.

PRIMARY CLARIFIER PRELIMINARY DESIGN - CONSULTANT SELECTION

Mr. Choma stated that for the primary clarifier preliminary design they selected three firms and then did interviews. Fishbeck Engineering was selected to do the design work. Mr. Rettig asked about the timeline of this project. Mr. Choma said the actual

construction won't take place until after the completion of the digester project, so probably in 2027.

LEAD SERVICE DISCUSSION

Mr. Choma stated that as required by the EPA, letters were sent out to approximately 6,000 customers stating that it is unknown if they have lead water lines. He gave the Committee a copy of the letter that was sent. He said that over the next three years, they will determine which lines are lead. Mr. Fawcett said the PIO is working on a comprehensive communication strategy, and there will be more information forthcoming.

BRIAN HOMER PRESENTATION ON FIELD OPERATIONS

Brian Homer, Field Superintendent of Field Operations for Public Utilities gave a presentation regarding the 2024 accomplishments of their department. The Committee asked that they pass along their appreciation to the DPU employees for their hard work.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Fuller, Chairperson
Public Utilities Committee

The next meeting date is to be determined.