

WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING

September 30, 2021

The Water and Sewer Committee of Chardon City Council met on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. in Conference Room A of the Chardon Municipal Center.

Jeffrey Smock, Chairman of the Water and Sewer Committee presiding.

Members of the Water and Sewer Committee present: Deborah Chuha, Jeffrey Smock.

Others present: Public Service Director Paul Hornyak, Clerk of Council Amy Day, Finance Director Mate Rogonjic.

Mr. Smock called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Members of the Committee noted some typographical errors in the February 10, 2021 minutes.

Mrs. Chuha moved and Mr. Smock seconded to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2021 meeting as amended. Upon voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

Regarding an update on Sanitary Sewer Connections to Storm Sewer, Public Service Director, Paul Hornyak, stated that at the last Water and Sewer Committee meeting, discussion had taken place regarding the discovery of gray water discharge into the storm sewer. One of the locations in question, Haueter's Lawn and Sport Center at 415 Water Street, took action to cap the building drain in question and made it inactive. Staff finds that this issue has been resolved. The other location in question at Tilden Ave. and Ferris Ave., had die testing of facilities and drains at the homes of 134 & 136 Ferris Avenue that were of specific interest. No improper discharges were discovered and all facilities were found to be properly tied in to the sanitary sewer on Ferris Avenue. Staff will continue to monitor the area which seems to have resolved itself at this time.

Regarding the 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Plan, Finance Director Mate Rogonjic, stated that as the plan indicates, \$24 million has been estimated to be spent on capital projects between 2022-2026. He noted that almost \$21 million is tied to infrastructure, of which \$7.4 million is tied to water and sewer lines and the 2 large projects (Clearwell water tank #2

and Watertower rehabilitation).

He noted that over $\frac{1}{2}$ of the project costs are tied to grant or loan funding.

Mr. Rogonjic reviewed changes from the 2021-2015 plan related to water & sewer. The water main on South Street will need to be replaced rather than relined due to the poor condition of the existing line that adds \$340,000 to the project. Better than expected fund balances and tap-in fees will help pay for the increased costs of the project.

Mr. Rogonjic reviewed the new projects in the plan. He noted that projects planned for construction in 2022, which are contingent upon grant requests submitted to ODOD include:

1. Clearwell #2 will add another tank to the water treatment plant next to the existing tank.
2. Water line loop from Hidden Glen Trail to Woodiebrook Road that will add a second line for redundancy in water distribution. Originally a second line was planned from Lost Pond to Claridon Road. Staff recommended a revised plan because it would run in the opposite direction as the existing line.

Mr. Smock asked if the other loop would still be necessary.

Mr. Hornyak stated that it would be necessary, but not immediately.

Mr. Rogonjic reviewed another new project including the new sidewalk installation on Wilson Mills Road and the replacement of the sanitary sewer line on Allynd Blvd. from Maple Ave. to Downing Dr.

Mr. Smock asked about the repaving of Allynd Blvd. after the sewer line is replaced.

Staff indicated that paving could be looked at on Allynd Blvd.; however, the repaving would more likely be done in conjunction with storm sewer work that is needed in this area.

Mr. Rogonjic reviewed the assumptions for water and sewer which are to follow the rate schedule that is in place, and repaying back the General Fund with the system development charges generated by Redwood and Thistlecreek Developments.

Mrs. Chuha inquired about the changes to the various project timeframes and costs from the previous capital plan.

Mr. Rogonjic explained the rationale for the various changes to

the plan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS – none.

ADJOURN

Mr. Smock moved and Mrs. Chuha moved seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at_3:50 p.m.

Attest:

AMY DAY
Clerk of Council

