

**UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2019**

The Utilities Committee meeting was held on October 1, 2019 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

PRESENT: **Committee Members:** Chair Paul Marnecheck, Vice Chair John Nickell, Dan Kasaris; **Council:** Larry Antoskiewicz, Dan Langshaw, Cheryl Hannan; **Administration:** Mayor Robert Stefanik, Law Director Thomas Kelly, Wastewater Supt. Mark Smith, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi, City Engineer Mark Schmitzer; **Other:** Jessica Fenos, Vincent Weimer, Michael McDonald, Mike Vos.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Nickell to **approve the September 3, 2019 Utilities Committee minutes.**
Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Inflow/Infiltration of Storm Water

Mr. Smith said that they have finished the “planets” area. All of the 90 day letters went out. Approximately 47 homes failed. He said that they are done with the testing for this year. They plan to start next year in the Royalwood area. Mr. Kasaris asked how many homes passed. Mr. Smith said about 35. Mr. Kasaris asked if any of the 47 have complied yet. Mr. Smith said that they have had 5 repairs already. Mr. Kasaris asked how much water this will take out of the system. Mr. Smith said that there is no way of telling that because they could be tied in from different areas, but he felt it would be substantial. Mr. Smith reviewed the notification process for the homeowners. Discussion also ensued regarding the various remedies available to homeowners.

2. Turnpike Sludge Line

Mr. Kelly reported that based on our negotiation efforts with all of the potential defendants, the matter was resolved. The checks have been received and the money has been deposited into the capital fund for the Wastewater Department. This matter is concluded. **Remove from agenda.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proposed Ordinance 19-83 - Valley Freightliner and Western Star - purchase of one (1) 2020 Freightliner 6 axle tandem truck and equipment for the North Royalton Wastewater Department

Mr. Smith said that this vehicle will be more efficient and enable us to limit our loads to the landfill and will replace a less efficient 10 year old vehicle. It will allow us to take more material with less trips because it is a bigger vehicle. Mr. Nickell asked what will happen to the old truck. Mr. Smith said they will still use the old vehicle to haul grit. Mr. Nickell asked if this truck will be used by other departments. Mr. Smith said that this will be used exclusively for wastewater.

Moved by Mr. Marnecheck, seconded by Mr. Kasaris to **refer this Ordinance to Council.** Roll Call: Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

2. Proposed Ordinance 19-84 - Stone Products, Inc. - purchase of five (5) conveyors for the Wastewater Department

Mr. Smith said that these conveyors will be used to load the truck from the sludge presses. Mr. Nickell asked where we take the sludge. Mr. Smith said that we take it to a landfill in Oberlin. The sludge from B Plant is hauled to A Plant and it is then pressed at A Plant and hauled from there. Mr. Kasaris asked how often we go to the landfill. Mr. Smith said currently it is 2 trips per day, but with the new truck we should be able to get that down to 1 or 2 trips per week. Mr. Nickell asked if there has been a cost analysis that shows how much this will save us. Mr. Smith said that we have saved money already by going to Oberlin. Mr. Nickell asked if they know how long it will be before we break even. Mr. Smith said they haven't done this but we know that with the cost of gas saved by going to Oberlin we have saved a lot of money.

Moved by Mr. Marnecheck, seconded by Mr. Kasaris to **refer this Ordinance to Council**. Roll Call: Yeas: 3.
Nays: 0. **Motion carried**

3. **Proposed Ordinance 19-85 - Stantec Consulting Services, Inc - professional engineering services during the construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant "A" Tertiary Filters and UV Disinfection Replacement Project**

Mr. Smith said that this company is already involved with this project and it would be more efficient to keep them on line with the project through its completion. This will be for the construction phase of the project.

Moved by Mr. Marnecheck, seconded by Mr. Kasaris to **refer this Ordinance to Council**. Roll Call: Yeas: 3.
Nays: 0. **Motion carried**

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Nickell to **adjourn the October 1, 2019 meeting**. Yeas: 3. Nays: 0.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.