

**UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2023**

The Utilities Committee meeting was held on February 7, 2022 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Vice Chair Joanne Krejci, Jeremy Dietrich; Council: Paul Marnecheck, Mike Wos, Linda Barath, John Nickell; Administration: Mayor Larry Antoskiewicz, Law Director Tom Kelly, John Fielding, Finance Director Jenny Esarey, Wastewater Superintendent Mark Smith, City Engineer Justin Haselton; Other: Joel Spatz, Jessica Fenos.

Mr. Marnecheck started the meeting by stating that Ms. Carbone-McDonald had notified him that she will not be at the Utilities Committee meeting nor the Council Meeting tonight. Mr. Nickell asked whether she provided a reason. Mr. Marnecheck clarified that she e-mailed him at 5:33 p.m., conveying that she is stuck at work and running late. He went on to read the e-mail he received, which stated the following: “Paul I am running late for Council tonight. I am still stuck at work still. I think there is a chance that I might miss one of the committee meetings, so please, if possible, have Utilities go last. If not, I understand. I’m trying my best to get there as soon as I can. I forget who is co-chair for my committee. Can you let them know too?” Mr. Marnecheck stated that she then texted him during the Storm Water Committee meeting, and read the following: “Paul, I am definitely not going to make it to Council tonight due to work. I am still stuck here. My apologies. See you on the 21st.”

Mr. Nickell asked whether we know if her work is in Ohio or Florida. Mr. Marnecheck stated that he had no additional knowledge.

Ms. Krejci moved to excuse Ms. Carbone-McDonald from tonight’s Utilities Committee meeting, seconded by Mr. Dietrich. Yeas: 2. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of November 1, 2022 Committee minutes. Moved by Ms. Krejci, seconded by Mr. Dietrich. Yeas: 2. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Inflow/Infiltration of Storm Water (I & I)

Mr. Smith summarized that we are still, currently not doing any dye testing due to the weather. As previously stated, we will start back up when the weather improves; roughly April 1st.

2. WW Treatment Plant B conversion

Mr. Smith reported that we received 100% design on the force main today. We have a meeting internally tomorrow with the engineers on the project. We should have a better grasp on the time frame to go out to bid. Ms. Krejci asked about going out to bid, as to how long the process might be. Mr. Smith indicated that we are trying to go out to bid mid-March to April; done in two phases. The force main would be first, and then the B Plant Conversion. We hope to get it out by March and have it bid no later than April. Ms. Krejci wanted to know if any work would start this year potentially. Mr. Smith agreed, stating that we plan to get some work started, which would be the force main; that will take approximately eight months. It is moving along, although it may seem like it is dragging. We are getting there. He went on to say that what we are doing is something different, and we are doing something that will be beneficial for the City; also something that has not been done before. Mr. Smith concluded that we want to do it correctly.

3. York Road Special Assessments – sanitary sewers

Mr. Haselton advised that the assessment project is finally complete. We are ready to go out for bid, which is on the Consent Agenda. Ms. Krejci inquired about the length of time once we go out to bid, as to how long the process might be. Mr. Haselton clarified approximately one month.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ms. Krejci, seconded by Mr. Dietrich **to adjourn the February 7, 2023, meeting.** Yeas: 2. Nays: 0.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.