

UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES
MARCH 7, 2023

The Utilities Committee meeting was held on March 7, 2022 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:49 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, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi, City Engineer Justin Haselton; **Other:** Joel Spatz, Heidi Michalske, Ray Michalske, Vincent Weimer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of February 7, 2023 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)

No update.

2. WW Treatment Plant B conversion

Mayor Antoskiewicz advised that we would be preparing to go out to bid in the next month on the force main of the project. Ms. Krejci inquired if that is the biggest part of the project. Mayor Antoskiewicz indicated that regarding cost, it is actually smaller than the actual conversion of the B Plant.

Mr. Kelly explained that the Abbey Road sewer project, which is connected to this Plant B conversion, would be going for approval at the Planning Commission meeting in April. Ms. Krejci questioned if we already have a grant for that. Mr. Kelly was uncertain. Mayor Antoskiewicz noted that we were awarded a \$2 M grant for York Road Business Park extension, which included the Abbey Road project; we just received confirmation. He continued that they sent a lot of paperwork, in which there are some stipulations in there. We plan to go through to see what we need to do. Eventually, we will be coming to Council to accept that grant. We are still trying to work through a lot of parameters. As we have mentioned previously, the grant was given under the previous Administration. They are trying to work through things to see how it will work; it is being distributed through HUD. We are going through things to see what we need to do to make sure we are able to use that grant for the project.

3. York Road Special Assessments – sanitary sewers

Mr. Haselton reported that we are currently out for bids. We anticipate opening those in mid-March.

Mr. Wos raised question regarding any updates about the water main break; from Akins Road. Mayor Antoskiewicz indicated that he had not heard anything more. He would check the next day and see what they have completed. He noted that it is still blocked. The resident has not called the Mayor yet; however, he will check it out. Mr. Wos asked if we are required to fix the damage to the road from that. Mr. Wos mentioned that Highland Drive was one of the streets that we put in for; for the program that they keep denying. We paved and paid for that street last year to fix it, however it got busted up by this. He wanted to know if we have any avenues, because it seems to keep happening and he felt that nothing is being done about it; by Cleveland Water.

Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that Akins Road was one that we put in for, for the water. He went on to say that Mr. Haselton has even gone back to them. He was hoping we would get some additional points; usually you get points when you need to resurface a road, because they want to do the repairs before we do the road. Mr. Wos commented if we are going to do that next year, we definitely want to make sure that it does not blow up again. He felt that there seems to be a big problem with the infrastructure. Mayor Antoskiewicz shared that we are hoping to get money for

them to replace it; if not, we are going to explore the next step. Mr. Wos was curious if we have any legal recourse. The Mayor indicated that he would take a look at it. Mr. Wos felt that we should not have to pay for that. Mayor Antoskiewicz added that contractually, we are usually the ones that fix the road if it breaks, however, we can always ask.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ms. Krejci, seconded by Mr. Dietrich **to adjourn the March 7, 2023, meeting.** Yeas: 2. Nays: 0.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.