

Public Hearing
Michigan Drinking Water SRF
Project Plan for Water Service Replacement
Newberry Village Council
May 23, 2023- 6:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: 307 E. McMillan

Present: President Freese, Trustees: Cameron, Hendrickson, Olson, Puckett, Schummer, Stokes.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Village Manager – Watkins, Clerk – Schummer, N. Moulton – Treasurer, Kevin Nancarrow, P.E. U.P. Engineers & Architects, Sterling McGinn - Newberry News, Kayla Edmonson Oaks, Trevor Clark, Marcy Biron, Michelle Huffman.

Call to Order: President Freese declared the Public Hearing open at 6:00 p.m., followed by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Freese, support by Hendrickson, CARRIED, approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: All.

Presentation and Discussion of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Plan for Water Service Replacement: Items covered in the presentation were as follows:

- a. Description of water quality problems being addressed by the project and principal alternatives that were considered.
- b. Description of the recommended alternative, including its capital costs and a cost breakdown by project components.
- c. Discussion of project financing and costs to users, including the proposed method of project financing and estimated monthly debt retirement; the proposed annual, quarterly, or monthly charge to the typical residential customer; and any special fees that will be assessed.
- d. Description of the anticipated social and environmental impacts associated with the recommended alternative and the measures that will be taken to mitigate adverse impacts.

Questions posed by Council:

Public Comment and Questions:

- 1.) Trevor Clark – W. Helen St.: Are the project maps available to the public?
Answer: Yes, they are available at the meeting, on the website, and you can request one at the Village office.
- 2.) Marcy Biron – E. Ave. A:
- 3.) Michelle Huffman – W. Victory Way: What is the difference between what they did a few years ago and what they want to do now? Will this new work clean-up our water? How can community members help to try to get this grant for our Village?
Answer: Then the lead pipes were not a part of the requirement. There is also about a mile left of old pipes to be replaced, which should clean-up the water. You could contact your Senator and let him know your concerns.
- 4.) Kayla Edmonson Oaks – E. Harrie St.: Let's say the state gives us a grant for \$5,000,000, do we have the pay for the remaining \$5,000,000, left in the project.
Answer: No. We don't have to do it all right away, but the lead pipe portion has to be done by a certain time.

Adjourn of Public Hearing: Moved by Freese, support by Puckett, CARRIED, to adjourn the hearing at 6:49 p.m. Ayes: All.

These minutes are unofficial until voted on at the next meeting.

Terese Schummer, Clerk

Catherine Freese, Village President