

WATER AND SEWER ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Minutes of the July 13, 2018 Meeting
City Administration Building, 10:00 am

Jim Edwards	Board Member, Councilmember and Chairman of the Utilities Committee
Roger Rhome	Board Member and Councilmember
Brian Simeone	Board Member and Councilmember
David Dreger	Board Member
Blaine Lewis	Board Member
David Puterbaugh	Board Member
Mark Locke	Board Member
Michael Dreger	Safety-Service Director
Joe Amabeli	Superintendent, Wastewater Treatment Plant
Kim LaQuatra	Assistant Superintendent, Wastewater Treatment Plant
Doug Hastings	Superintendent, Water Distribution
Amy Elliott	Superintendent, Water Treatment Plant
Curtis Bungard	Engineer
Angie Weir	Water Billing Coordinator
Bill Morris	Assistant Law Director
Kevin Knowles	Auditor
Bob McClellan	PTC Alliance

PRESENT: Jim Edwards, Roger Rhome, Brian Simeone, David Dreger, Mark Locke, Mike Dreger, Kim LaQuatra, Doug Hastings, Curtis Bungard, Bill Morris, Jennifer Crist
Excused: Blaine Lewis, David Puterbaugh, Joe Amabeli, Amy Elliott

MINUTES: Locke made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2018 meeting. David Dreger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

Marlington Water Line. Engineer Bungard reported why and how the sub-contractor had to lower the pipes. The waterline failed the first test but Doug flushed it and we are now re-chlorinating the line and will get more samples. We hope to have everything done before school starts.

Oyster Water Line. Doug discussed the work to be done and said that once he gets the permits from the City, he will start work and will then need to get approval from the railroad.

Clark Street Water Tower Painting. Doug passed around a sample of the liner and photos of the tower before, during, and after painting. The water tower will be back in service in a week. We will paint one tank per year. The 23rd Street tower will be done in 2019 and the Midpark tower in 2020.

Radio Reads. Doug said there are 309 meters inside homes that need to be replaced. Those homes received door tags and letters, and until the work is completed those bills will need to be estimated. Director Dreger discussed the issue of estimated bills and explained that those with higher than usual bills once they are no longer estimated can set up a payment plan.

Billing Software Status. Director Dreger passed out Angie's report with the delinquency list. We are trying to get the number of delinquencies down.

PAC Project. Director Dreger reported that bids were opened on June 22 and the lowest bidder, A.P. O'Horo Company from Youngstown, was awarded the contract. Work will begin by September and might be done by the beginning of November.

NFA Study. This "no feasible alternative" study at the Wastewater Treatment Plant is required by the OEPA. We submitted a draft NFA earlier this year but OEPA had determined that further study must be conducted by a professional engineering firm. Legislation (Ord. #43-18) will go to Council on Monday for approval to advertize a Request for Qualifications and enter into a contract with an engineering firm to conduct the study. Locke made a motion to recommend the legislation and move ahead with contracting for engineering services to complete the study. Dave Dreger seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

Class A Project. Kim LaQuatra reported in Joe Amabeli's absence on the progress of this project. It is moving above ground now and expected to be up and running in September.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am. The next meeting date will be announced.