

THE CITY OF STREETSBORO, OHIO

SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 13, 2020

This Service Committee Meeting was called to order on Monday, April 13, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. by Julie Field, Chairman.

PRESENT: Jon Hannan, Justin Ring, Mike Lampa, Chuck Kocisko, John Ruediger, Julie Field, Jennifer Wagner [all by Zoom video conferencing]

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: [by Zoom video conferencing:]
Glenn Broska, Mayor
Frank Beni, Law Director
Darin Powers, Police Chief
Jenny Esarey, Finance Director
Bill Miller, Service Director
Joe Ciuni, City Engineer
John Cieszkowski, Planning Director
Patrick O'Malia, Economic Development Director
Caroline Kremer, Clerk of Council

Disposition of Minutes

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 13, 2020 AS PRESENTED.

Moved by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Old Business

T-6759 Go to Bid for Seasons Road Drainage Improvements

Mr. Ciuni reported that the Lequyeas were back from Florida on March 23, but he had not been able to meet with them at their property yet. There were three design options other than the one that was already staked in the yards. One design would cost about \$116,000 (which could go to \$235,000 if the drainage pipe was installed by boring instead of an open dig), the second design would cost about \$118,000, and the third design would cost about \$124,000. The design with the lowest price kept all the work on the Lequyeas property in the low area. Mr. Ciuni still had to meet with the Lequyeas and the Yupas to finalize this.

Mr. Ring emphasized that the City needed to be very aware of costs because of the economic downturn this year and recommended going with the cheapest design, even if it may not be the most agreeable to all the parties. Mrs. Field said it would be best to go with the least expensive option but

ultimately it would be up to Council to choose which project to do.

Mr. Ruediger asked if this could be moved to the Finance Committee Meeting in two weeks and Mr. Ciuni said he didn't expect to have it resolved that quickly. Mr. Ciuni added that there could be a taking if the property owners didn't agree to the terms since this drainage improvement was for a public benefit.

Mr. Lampa asked what the plan was to get in contact with these neighbors now that everyone was back in Streetsboro. Mr. Ciuni said because of social distancing it would be difficult, but they all had to meet at the property to see the proposals in person and work out what they would accept.

MOTION: TO SEND THIS TO THE MAY 11, 2020 SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR AN UPDATE.

Moved by Mr. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Hannan. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Discuss Kimble Early Morning Collections

Mr. Ruediger said it seemed Kimble was making a conscience effort to not bother the residential neighbors with early pick ups at the commercial businesses so this could be taken off the agenda and he would bring it back again if needed.

Discuss Installing Flags on the Frost Road Bridge

Mr. Ring said he had not been able to do much on this topic because of the pandemic lockdown/stay at home order. He had not really left his house in 26 days. He still needed to get a mockup of a picture of this proposal to share with ODOT in order to get a permit from ODOT. There was no stock picture of the bridge online that he could use.

Mrs. Field asked if someone else could get the photo for Mr. Ring since he was self-quarantining. Chief Powers said an officer on patrol could try to get a photo of one side of the Frost Road bridge tomorrow so Mr. Ring could mock it up with the proposed flag display.

MOTION: TO FORWARD THIS TO THE MAY 11, 2020 SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR AN UPDATE.

Moved by Mr. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Kocisko. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Presentation of Water Rate Study/Administration Recommendation

Mayor Broska said he had not been able to work on this since the last meeting because of the COVID-19 issue and he didn't expect things to be back to normal for a while yet. He did not want to propose a water rate increase of any amount at this time when the City had no clue where the economy was going. Mrs. Field agreed. She asked if the City was applying for grants yet for these water projects because applications for grants was a main reason for doing the Water Study, which was very expensive. Mayor Broska said in order to get grants, the City would have to have an estimated cost for the specific project the grant would be used for. There were grants available, but

the City had to do a couple of steps first like select a project and get an engineer's estimate for it. Ms. Esarey mentioned that part of the Water Study prioritized the water projects to help the Mayor and Mr. Ciuni plan for what grants to apply for. Mr. Ciuni added the City had intended to apply for Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) grants this year because it was likely to get those grants, but OPWC had sent out a memo about two weeks ago saying they were not taking applications for a while; they did not know if they would have a program next year. The City project that was funded last year would still go forward to pave roads this summer. Mayor Broska said when OPWC was ready to accept applications the City would be ready to submit them.

Mr. Kocisko asked what the pandemic would do to the new gas tax that the City has hoping to spend on road paving. Ms. Esarey responded that the receipts (gas tax, license tax, etc.) would be a lot less than expected because people were staying at home and not driving or buying gas. Mr. Kocisko thought maybe the road paving program would have to be suspended or reduced. Mr. Ring said this, along with other budget issues, could be discussed at the next Finance Committee Meeting.

Mrs. Field said the Water Rate Study/Administration Recommendation agenda item should just be let go until the Mayor was ready to bring something forward to Council.

New Business

T-6833 Authorize ODOT 2020-2021 Salt Contract Participation

Mayor Broska said this was the usual annual request to be in the salt contract consortium purchase group with ODOT and the CUE Co-op. The CUE would get the best price it could for all the members. Since last season was relatively mild and there was salt left over, Mayor Broska didn't think the City would have to buy a whole year's worth this time.

Mr. Miller was able to join the Zoom meeting and said this was the usual annual contract with the State. He would have to buy 90% of whatever amount they ordered at the end of the year. The Service Department did have a full salt barn right now with 3,000-4,000 tons because the last season with not much snowfall was not typical. A typical winter season usually used about 5,000 tons of road salt. He would just put in the minimum order (4,000 tons) and he would have to buy 90% of that. He always wanted to have a full salt barn with at least 3,000 tons of salt at the end of each season to be ready for the beginning of the next season in case there was another salt shortage like there was 5-6 years ago. He needed to have the legislation approved tonight to meet the application deadline.

MOTION: TO MOVE THIS TO TONIGHT'S REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AS EMERGENCY LEGISLATION.

Moved by Mr. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Kocisko. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

T-6834 Authorize Construction Agreement for Meadow View Phase 14

Mr. Cieszkowski had provided the construction agreement with all the required exhibits. Phase 14 was 36 sublots at the north end of the Meadow View Subdivision. This agreement was similar to the previously approved construction agreements. The last exhibit to this construction agreement was a

construction traffic map to show the path for the construction traffic entering at the construction entrance at Jude Avenue and travelling to this northern phase. There was a performance bond in place. Mr. Cieszkowski noted that the natural gas provider would be Dominion East Ohio Gas.

Mr. Ring suggested using Maplewood Drive at the north side of the subdivision for construction traffic instead of the longer path from Jude Avenue, but Mr. Cieszkowski said they had decided to use the path from Jude Avenue to avoid construction trucks on previously dedicated streets, like Maplewood Drive, to avoid any damage that might have to then be repaired by the City and keep the truck traffic on the roads that had not been dedicated yet.

MOTION: TO MOVE THIS TO TONIGHT’S REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AS EMERGENCY LEGISLATION.

Moved by Mr. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Citizens’ Comments

None received.

Announcements

The Regular Council Meeting will immediately follow this meeting.

There being no further business to be addressed by this committee, and upon motion by Mr. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Lampa, this meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Kremer, Clerk of Council

Julie Field, Chairman

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