

Village of Goodfield
Water and Sewer Committee Meeting
November 3, 2021 -2:00p.m.
@ Village Hall - 114 S Eureka Street

Chairman Roger Mullins called the meeting to order at 2:00p.m. Present were Committee members Roger Mullins, Terry Nohl and Daryl Wilkendorf, Attorney Mike Gifford, Engineer Duane Yockey, President Jim Edwards, Treasurer Teresa DeGrave and Clerk Sheri Martin. Absent was Public Works Administrator Josh Nohl.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the status and extent of I-74 Cost Sharing Agreement and the water tower inspections.

I-74 Cost Sharing Agreement

Treasurer DeGrave explained the problem with figuring invoices for Vivo and 101 W Martin Drive. She then briefly explained the timeline of events that took place during this time period. PWA Nohl and Clerk Sheri Martin searched the minutes multiple times and could not find any motion, contract, ordinance, etc. to support the per linear fee that was charged. DeGrave said when the previous President left he put together a contract book with how to figure the cost. We could not find that it was ever voted on or approved at a meeting. Engineer Yockey said it was the intent to recoup that cost at the time, because if the sewer was not already put in and paid by the Village the developer of the lot would have to pay to put it in.

There was much discussion regarding this fee. In the end it was decided that it could be justified to charge VIVO the linear foot fee because if the Village had not put the sanitary sewer in, according to Village Code, a property owner would have to extend the sewer to the far side of their property.

It was the consensus of the Committee that going forward, cost would be based on original Cost Sharing Agreement and the Cost Sharing agreement with Addendum #1.

Water & Sewer Rates

Attorney Gifford will not be at the Nov. 18th Board Meeting so he will have Attorney Tim Gronewold bring water & sewer rate ordinance retroactive to date the motion to increase rates was made. There was discussion regarding how to meter water if there were only a sewer user without water. Village could possibly put meter in their well. Another option would be to use an aggregate figure for all residential users for sewer then charge a flat rate.

Engineer Yockey will add out of town rates to Chapter 12 then it will go back to Water & Sewer Committee to review then a recommendation to the Board for approval.

Water Tower Inspection

PWA Nohl had contacted Engineer Yockey regarding having the water towers inspected since it has been a long time since they have been painted. Erik Otten inspected both towers for free. Engineer brought the inspection report with pictures. Engineer suggested the Village consider hiring a painter to paint the old tower next year, including on top. The new tower is in better shape but the interior dry could use some repair. Both towers were previously painted in 2005. Another suggestion by Engineer Yockey was when picking a paint color to go with a lighter color. A dark color soaks up heat and drives chlorine out of the water. The committee thought PWA Nohl to get someone to get the bug screen put in place.

Chairman Mullins stated at this point there are no recommendations to the Board as this meeting was informational. There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Nohl, seconded by Wilkendorf. Meeting adjourned at 3:47p.m.

Roger Mullins, Chairman