

PRESENT: Mayor Eagan; Trustees Watson, LaChapelle and Norton; Steven Brock; Robert Murray; Franklin Meade; George Rockenstire; Charlie Austin; Clark Wilkinson

Mayor Eagan stated that the purpose of the meeting is due to the loss of focus on the water and sewer infrastructure projects. A meeting will be held the last Wednesday of each month to keep the projects on track and everyone updated on the progress of the projects.

Poultney Street Waterline Replacement Project –

NYS Department of Health is requiring the Village to have a secondary water supply feed to the east side of the Village. Clark Wilkinson of Environmental Design Partnership stated that the design is 90% complete and financing needs to be in place to move forward. Robert Murray of LaBella stated that 80% of the required documents have been sent to USDA/Rural Development for the \$481,000.00 loan. Robert Murray will contact the bond counsel regarding interim financing. A Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) will have to be obtained to finance the project. USDA/RD loan will pay off the BAN at the end of the project. Clark Wilkinson stated that NYS Canal Corp. is requiring borings on each side of the canal to go down 12 feet not the 6 feet that was already completed. Clark Wilkinson stated that the cost of the project may increase but won't know until the bids come in. The bids cannot go out until financing is in place and a pre-bid conference is held. He is hoping to complete the project this summer. Mayor Eagan stated that Patricia Norton will be the contact on this project for the Village.

Water Distribution System Evaluation Planning Grant –

NYS CDBG approved a grant to pay for the evaluation of waterlines, valves, etc. and to prioritize issues within the water distribution system. Once the study is complete, the information will be used to seek more funding to finance the upgrades needed in the water system. Once NYS CDBG approves the environmental review process for this grant, funding will be released to complete the study.

WWTP Disinfection Study –

NYS Environmental Facilities Corp. approved a grant to pay for a study of the disinfection cost at the wastewater treatment plant which is required by NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. Franklin Meade of LaBella stated that he asked NYS DEC for an opinion on what size disinfection is needed at the WWTP and was told to design for disinfection now based on maximum flows and not the plants designed flows. The recommended size can be decreased as infiltration and inflow is decreased with improvements to the system. Disinfection cost estimates for an electric ultraviolet system is \$790,000.00 and \$1,159,000.00 for an ultraviolet system and electric improvements at the WWTP. Robert Murray stated that grant monies through Water Quality Improvement Programs and NYS Community Development may be used for this project once the study and design is completed.

WWTP Infiltration & Inflow Study –

NYS Environmental Facilities Corp approved a grant to pay for the study of the Infiltration and Inflow into the wastewater treatment system. Clark Wilkinson stated that the final report should be submitted to the Village soon and then sent to NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation. This engineering report will be used to help with future funding opportunities for improvements to the wastewater system.

Mayor Eagan stated that the Town of Dresden is conducting a property revaluation. The Village's property is going from 800,000 to 5,100,000 in assessed value. This could have a dramatic impact on the Water Budget.

Clark Wilkinson wanted to discuss the State Route 22 waterline. The Village was able to buy the pipe for this project with grant funds which will replace the waterline from the South Bay bridge to North Street. NYS Dept. of Transportation approval is required but a physical design plan is needed for the approval. A proposal will be presented to the Village Board from Environmental Design Partnership to design the construction plans for this project. The Village Dept. of Public Works will install the pipe once NYS Dept. of Transportation approves the plans.

Mayor Eagan asked about the status of the sanitary sewer project with the Army Corps of Engineers. Army Corp would require a 30% match on the project cost of \$5,000,000.00 which

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could not doable by the Village. More information from the Army Corps is needed before a decision can be made on this.

Trustee Watson stated that the NYS Dept. of Health is requiring a plan for a backup water supply. Options for this could be pumping water out of South bay or drilling wells. Bob Murray stated that the Water Distribution Evaluation Plan could include a study on this to satisfy the NYS Dept. of Health requirement.

The next meeting will be held on March 30. 2022 at 2:00PM.

Stephanie LaChapelle
Clerk-Treasurer