

The Utilities, Safety & Environment Committee

held a meeting on **Wednesday, October 9th, 2024** at 6:00 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Utilities: Chair Davis, Oswald, Armstrong, Stewart

Rules: Chair Cerra, Callahan, Stewart

Others: Siwierka,

Absence: Mitchell, Tollett (excused)

Administration and Department Heads Present: Safety Service Dir Pyanowski, Law Dir Deery, Public Works Leader Jacob, Parks & Rec Dir Reardon, Prosecutor's Office Admin Specialist Darmstadt

1. Approval of September 4th, 2024 Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes as circulated.

(There was no Utilities Committee Meeting on September 30th)

Motion made by Mr. Stewart and second by Mr. Oswald to approve as circulated.

MOTION CARRIES

2. The matter of entering into a contract for the Loading Dock repair project at the Water Pumping Plant. *[this will also go to Finance Mtg on 10/15/24]*

Referred By: Water Team Leader Jacob

Dir Jacob said the loading dock is in bad shape, they were hoping to wait for the expansion next year to repair it, but it can't wait. There are other projects that have been passed by council and they are hoping to group them all together to get a good price and they need to do this asap. Needs to pass as emergency.

Motion made by Mr. Stewart second by Mr. Armstrong to authorize the Mayor to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the 'said' project.

MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

3. The matter of applying for an Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant. *[this will also go to Finance Mtg on 10/15/24]*

Referred By: Parks & Rec Dir Reardon

Dir Reardon said this is an ODNR Grant. They would like to completely redo the playground at West Park. This is east of the rec center by ballfield number one, as you come into the park off of Foster. This is part of the Master Plan. The current one is 27 years old and time for a new one. It will be a fully accessible ADA playground. The price estimates are around \$650,000 for the whole project. Includes ground work and drainage and the poured surface and the equipment itself. This is a one to one matching grant and the same grant that was used for the trail and restroom.

This grant also paid for the pickle ball courts. They will also use CDBG money for this which will bring the City's portion down. They would be looking at \$325,000 that would be the ask for this grant. The rest would be between CDBG funds and Issue 6 Funds. The deadline is November 15th and it needs to be passed as emergency.

**Motion made by Mr. Stewart second by Mr. Armstrong to authorize the Mayor to apply for the 'said' grant to be used for the playground project at West Park.
MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN**

Chair Davis asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Mr. Oswald moved to adjourn the Utilities, Safety & Environment Committee Meeting and that motion was seconded by Mr. Armstrong at 6:10 P.M.
MOTION CARRIES**

The next Utilities Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 23rd.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Colleen Rosado, Secretary/Administrative Assistant