

# **The Utilities, Safety & Environment Committee**

held a meeting on **Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024** at 6:00 P.M.

## **Committee Members Present:**

Utilities: Chair Mitchell, Davis, Oswald, Armstrong, Stewart

Rules: Schneider, Cerra, Callahan

Others:

Absent: Tollett (excused)

**Administration and Department Heads Present:** Safety Service Dir Pyanowski,  
Law Dir Deery, Public Works Leader Jacob, WWPC Supt. Stewart, Engineer Schneider

## **1. The matter of entering into an agreement with ODOT for an Urban Paving project of State Route 301 (Abbe Road) and RT 57.**

*This matter will also go to Finance on 11/25/2004*

Referred By: Engineer Schneider

Engineer Schneider said ODOT has funding for Urban Paving, which is a maintenance program for asphalt pavement that they contribute for with the cities these routes run through. They pay for an inch and a half of the surface of asphalt at an 80/20 split, with the City paying 20 percent. Anything above the pavement markings, the City would have to pay the difference of. They don't pay for curbing, ramps, partial and full depth repairs. This Urban Paving program is something ODOT does across the entire State. It will be RT 57 from Chestnut Ridge to Cleveland St., RT 301 from RT 57 to Sheffield. This won't go to construction until 2026. The City's portion is projected to be \$1,219,536. This portion will be paid utilizing State Infrastructure Bank Loan Program and / or Muni Motor Vehicle Fund. There are a number of other projects that are coming down the line to use the Muni Motor Vehicle Tax Fund.

Mr. Stewart asked if ODOT does the street scanning?

Engineer Schneider said they already do that on all Federal Aid Routes.

Engineer Schneider also clarified that the 1.2 million also includes a certain amount of full depth and ODOT looking at curb ramps ahead of time. The City already discussed that we want long-term pavement markings, not the cheap pavement markings, we don't want to be painting every year, so, those are included in the 1.2 million.

**Motion made by Mrs. Davis, second by Mr. Oswald to authorize the Mayor to enter into for the 'said' agreement with ODOT.**

**MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN**

## **2. The matter of entering into an agreement with ODOT for sidewalks and bike paths in the area of Burns Road and Abbe Road, N.**

*This matter will also go to Finance on 11/25/2004*

Referred By: Engineer Schneider

Engineer Schneider said this is a new program called the Pedestrian and Bicycle Special Solicitation which is to help improve pedestrian & bike travel. This is a 100 percent grant for a city our size. We can apply for and get 100 percent paid and It would pay for design and construction and management. This grant became available after the tragic accident on Burns Road. We may qualify because of a number of things; the park, the college, the accident. They will cut the project in three tiers; Burns Rd being tier one. Issue with Burns is there is a culvert there at the bottom of the hill. There could be potential right-a-way requirements for that. That would be the top priority and the next would be at Abbe Rd, west side from Bruns Rd to Antioch where some areas do have sidewalks and they will fill in the gaps where there are no sidewalks. The third tier would be from Burns Rd south to Briar Lake on the west side. There is no disadvantage for the City other than we have to maintain it. There is not a cap and we're looking to try to go for about one million dollars total. This grant application will be accepted every quarter. They are hoping to get their application in before January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Chair Mitchell asked if there will be a crosswalk across Burns Rd to the park?

Engineer Schneider said there is one at Naples and the culvert would be expensive, they may have one bridge or a culvert extension to get across at that area. They will also install RFBs at Hillcrest.

Mr. Stewart brought the ditches along Bruns Rd and he asked if that is something that should be looked at, the south side heading eastbound? His main concern is to eliminate the ditches. If there is an opportunity to use other resources for the ditches while the sidewalks are being installed, that would be great.

Engineer Schneider said they did look at that. Some areas will be impacted where we put a sidewalk in. The grant doesn't cover any type of asphalt, pavement or storm drainage. We won't know what is all involved until they do a full survey. The culvert will be a big issue and they may break up the applications so they can get started. They may be able to use the storm water fund for the drainage issues.

Mr. Schneider said this is needed. He asked what side of Burns Rd. would the sidewalks be on?

Engineer Schneider said there is more room for a sidewalk on the south side.

**Motion made by Mr. Stewart, second by Mrs. Davis to authorize the Mayor to enter into for the 'said' project with ODOT.**

**MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN**

### **3. The matter of the purchase of chemicals for the Water Pumping Plant and the Waste Water Pollution Control Plant for calendar years 2025 & 2026.**

*This matter will also go to Finance on 11/25/2004*

Referred By: Water Team Leader Jacob

Water Team Leader Jacob said this is the annual bid for chemicals for both the Water Pumping plant and Wastewater plant for the purchase of chemicals for one year, from March 2025 to March 2026.

There will be a vote on two committee reports:

**Motion made by Mr. Oswald, second by Mr. Armstrong to authorize the Mayor to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the purchase of chemicals for the Water Pumping Plant.**

**MOTION CARRIES                      COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN**

**Motion made by Mr. Oswald, second by Mr. Armstrong to authorize the Mayor to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the purchase of chemicals for the Waste Water Pollution Control Plant.**

**MOTION CARRIES                      COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN**

**4. The matter of the Water, Sewer and Sanitation Rates for the calendar year 2025.**

Referred By:    Engineer Schneider

**This matter will be discussed at a Joint Meeting with Utilities, Safety & Environment and Finance Committees on Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.**

*Chair Mitchell 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 6:25 P.M.**

**MOTION CARRIES**

**The next Utilities Meeting will be a Joint Meeting with Finance and is scheduled for Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.**

*Respectfully Submitted by,*

*Colleen Rosado, Secretary/Administrative Assistant*