

**UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 4, 2014**

The Utilities Committee meeting was held on February 4, 2014 at North Royalton City Hall, 13834 Ridge Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Committee Members: Chair Gary Petrusky, Vice Chair Dan Langshaw, Dan Kasaris; Council: Larry Antoskiewicz, Paul Marnecheck, Steve Muller, John Nickell; Administration: Mayor Robert Stefanik, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi, Waste Water Superintendent Tim Tigue; Other: Joe Cinquepalmi Sr., Joe Cinquepalmi Jr.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Langshaw to **approve the January 7, 2014, 2014 minutes.** Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Inflow/Infiltration of storm water**

Mr. Tigue said that he has no updates since they do not perform I&I in the winter. As he stated last month, we think that there is a major opening somewhere in our sanitary fluid system. We have walked 30-40% of the main sewer so far. We will complete the walk through and if we don't find it, then we will need to use in line sewer flow meters to try to pin point the area. He said it could be a man hole cover crown, but he thinks it is near a creek.

2. **Wiltshire Sanitary Sewer**

Mr. Tigue said that he has received no complaints on this matter. He provided a brief update on the past efforts made to eliminate this problem.

3. **Influent Lift Station Study**

Mr. Tigue said he has nothing to add on the study that was presented last month. One internal question has been raised regarding what to do if we need to physically enter the lift station to make repairs. One of the problems with a submersible lift station is that you must stop the flow if you need to go down there. In a lift station of this size the flow never stops. There is a way to design around this with gates and isolation. An advantage to the submersible lift station is that we will not have to continuously run the screw pumps when it gets very cold. We have to do that now and it is costly. They are continuing to review this study. Mr. Tigue said he sees the timetable on this to be 2015 for planning and loan application, with construction in 2016.

Remove from agenda.

4. **A-Plant Permit**

Mr. Tigue said that the Twinsburg rep from the OEPA visited the site specifically to redo the permit. It is estimated that we will have the 30 day comment period of the draft permit by June. The EPA is 5-6 months behind, but this has no impact on us because we are still operating under the permit we have had for the last 5 years. Mr. Tigue said the B plant permit had very few issues, so there should be no problems with the permit for A plant.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Purchase of Utility Vehicle**

Mr. Tigue reviewed the utility vehicle he is proposing to purchase. The current vehicle is 11 years old and it is the key vehicle to move the lift pumps and it is used very extensively. The new vehicle will have a hydraulic crane that can handle more weight in a much smoother fashion. We currently do not have a back up for this vehicle, so the current vehicle will become back up to the new purchase.

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Petrusky to recommend approval to Council for this purchase (Ord. 14-18). Roll Call: Yeas: **Three.** Nays: **None.** **Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Langshaw, seconded by Mr. Kasaris **to adjourn the meeting**. Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried**. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.