

**UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES
JANUARY 2, 2019**

The Utilities Committee meeting was held on January 2, 2019 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m.

PRESENT: **Committee Members:** Chair Paul Marnecheck, Vice Chair John Nickell, Dan Kasaris; **Council:** Larry Antoskiewicz, Gary Petrusky, Dan Langshaw; **Administration:** Mayor Robert Stefanik, Law Director Thomas Kelly, Wastewater Supt. Mark Smith, City Engineer Mark Schmitzer, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi. **Other:** Lou Krzepina, Linda Barath, Haylie Deshpande, Seth Nolan, Jack Vitale, Anthony Vitale, Dominic Dabramo, Jacob Kucera, Richard Kucera.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Kasaris, seconded by Mr. Nickell to **approve the November 7, 2018 Utilities Committee minutes.**
Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Inflow/Infiltration of Storm Water**

No update. This work will resume in the spring. Mr. Kasaris asked if the areas for testing have been decided. Mr. Smith said that they have a map that separates into quadrants and we will pick up from where we left off last year. Mr. Marnecheck asked if the weather stays warm will they start earlier. Mr. Smith said that if we don't get a major freeze we can start early.

2. **Turnpike Sludge Line**

Mr. Kelly said that the claim is now in the hands of the Law Department. We are working with the insurance adjusters for the various carriers that are involved in an effort to see what can be done to satisfy the claim. We have a number, we know what the damages are and we are just trying to work this out with the insurance companies. Mr. Marnecheck asked if there are any causes for concern. Mr. Kelly said that there is a small problem at the moment but we are trying to ferret this out and will have more information as this proceeds.

3. **B Plant Screw Pumps**

Mr. Kelly said that the Law Department is working with the Wastewater Department on this issue. A formal warranty claim has been made in writing to the manufacturer and we are awaiting their replay. Mr. Marnecheck asked what solution we are looking for. Mr. Kelly said that we are looking for them to uphold the warranties that were given to the city on behalf of the manufacturer with regard to the quality of the product because the product has given us reason to believe that it is not what was advertised.

4. **Plant A Permit**

Mr. Smith said that we are still waiting on the draft copy and once we get it we will review it and request any possible changes that we may have. Mr. Marnecheck asked if they have until the end of January to get this to us. Mr. Smith said yes, but it may even go into the first part of February because the permit is officially expired but we are still running under the current permit. He said that we have 30 days from receipt of the draft copy to respond and request any changes we may have.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Introduction of new Wastewater Supt.**

Mayor Stefanik introduced newly appointed Wastewater Supt. Mark Smith to the committee. Mr. Smith said that it is a pleasure to work for an administration that looks like they are continuing on their upward climb. He appreciates the opportunity and pledges 110% effort.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Nickell, seconded by Mr. Kasaris to **adjourn the January 2, 2019 meeting.** Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.**