

STREET & SEWER COMMITTEE

May 27, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Wilson
Alderman Brown
Alderman Drochinecz
Alderman Olive

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Superintendent Mann
Alderman Driskell
Alderman Bryant
Alderman Budd

Ernie Drochinecz
Bill Sleeman
Traci Bentley

Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

SALARY INCREASE FOR SUPERINTENDENT MANN

Superintendent Mann informed the Committee when he was hired on, he was making 120% above his working foreman. The Union has since received two increases and his salary has remained the same. Alderman Olive would like to have a yearly evaluation system put into place and base raises off of that. Alderman Driskell advised this will be discussed at the next Personnel Committee.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Drochinecz to recommend to the City Council to forward the salary increase for Superintendent Mann to the Personnel Committee. Motion carried 4-0.

HIRING OF THREE PERSONNEL FOR STREET DEPARTMENT

Superintendent Mann advised the Street Department is short staffed. There could possibly be a couple employees leaving within a year and there have been some employees leave and their positions have never been filled. Superintendent Mann would like to have three new employees. Alderman Drochinecz would like every Superintendent to provide a number of employees needed to run the department.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Wilson to recommended to the City Council to forward hiring of three personnel for the Street Department to the Personnel Committee. Motion carried 4-0.

PURCHASE OF GENERATOR FOR EASTWOOD LIFT STATION FROM WARD IV

There are three lift stations in Ward IV, only two of these lift stations have generators. If power is lost in this area, it can cause backup into people's houses. Superintendent Mann did not have a quote at this time but the one that was recently purchased in Ward I was approximately \$25,000.00 and was paid for out of Ward money. Superintendent Mann questioned if Ward IV would be willing to purchase one for Eastwood Drive Lift Station. Alderman Driskell suggested this to be included in the FY 2021/2022 budget.

PURCHASE OF 2 X 5 ADA (20) WARNING PADS

Superintendent Mann presented a quote from Uline for 20 2 x 5 ADA warning pads for a total of \$4,237.82. These are for sidewalk corners and are required.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Drochinecz to recommend to the City Council to allow Superintendent Mann to purchase 20 2 x 5 ADA warning pads from Uline, at a cost not to exceed \$4,237.82. Motion carried 4-0.

FY 2021/2022 BUDGET UPDATE

Superintendent Mann advised there is no update. Treasurer Hamell is still working on the budgets.

SEWER TAP ORDINANCE

Superintendent Mann explained according to the Ordinance that was passed a few months ago the City is now responsible for sewer repairs that are on City right away or easement. This means if the issue is caused by something the homeowner may have caused, like flushing wet wipes or diapers, the City has to fix it. Ernie Drochinecz explained this was not the intention when the Ordinance was passed. Mayor Barry advised the

Ordinance states that the property owner is only responsible to the end of his/her property. Ernie Dorchinecz suggests adding to the Ordinance that the homeowner can be fined if the damage was caused by issues from the homeowner.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to forward the Sewer Tap Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee for clarification on the easement/right away portion. Motion carried 4-0.

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT PROCEDURES

Chairman Wilson would like to speed up the process for reoccurring Special Event Permits and allow them to be placed directly on City Council for approval and bypass going to Committee.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to allow Special Event Permits that have previously been approved to bypass going to Committee and be put directly on City Council for approval. Motion carried 4-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Mann advised the Department has been mowing and working on sidewalks in Ward I.

ANY OTHER MATTER'S

Alderman Dorchinecz received a call from a citizen about a parking issues on East Main Cross across from the Eagles. Mayor Barry advised the police are aware of this issue.

Bill Sleeman informed the Committee of a DCEO Grant for \$550,000.00; the City is responsible for engineering only. The deadline to apply is August 3rd, 2021.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Brown to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.
Meeting adjourned at 7:46 P.M.


Jeremy Wilson, Chairman
Street & Sewer Committee