

Joint Committee Meeting

Water/Sewer & Street/Alley

November 1st, 2018

Village Hall Arthur, IL

Called to Order 7:00 PM

Roll Call – Matt B., Mike H., Jenni M., Justin R., Grant C.

Public Comment – None

New Business

1. Discussion of the Village's agreement with Cintas for uniforms and rugs was led by Grant & Matt. Grant discussed his displeasure with the services provided. Matt added that the overall appearance of the department was the goal from day one with the addition of uniforms. However, both agreed that comfortability should be considered as well. All in attendance agree that they would like each employee to have at least 1 or 2 polo shirts for occasions where employees are at a function representing the Village in a professional manner. Color options were left up to Supervisor Corum. However, colors other than safety green and orange shall require a vest on job sites, as safety is another large aspect of the uniforms. All in attendance seemed to be in agreement with eliminating the Cintas service for uniforms and rugs.
2. Discussion of the Village's excess property items took place. The main topic was the manner in which the Village should try to dispose of said items. It was suggested by Matt that after declaration of the items they shall be placed on a municipal bidding site and/or Ebay for a period of time until the spring Tri-County auction, at which time if unsold the items would be placed up for auction. All in attendance were in agreement with that direction.
3. Discussion of water billing policies was led by Grant. Current codes with suggested amended codes were provided by Grant. All in attendance were in agreement with the material reviewed. It was noted to remove the last sentence of the amended Sec. 30-59 Disconnect/Reconnect Fee, committee members felt it could be handled internally without actually being placed in the code.
4. Discussion of the 2009 Ford utility truck and meter reading equipment was led by Grant. Pre-budget quotes were provided for both items. Matt suggested looking into whether there are any 2018 state bid trucks still available. If not, we will be waiting for the release of the 2019 state bid pickups. There was also discussion of 2 wheel drive vs. 4 wheel drive in this particular vehicle. The advantages that updating the meter reading equipment will provide were also discussed amongst those in attendance. All in attendance were in agreement with the direction to proceed on this topic.
5. Discussion of Department of Agriculture licensing was led by Grant. In general, the new CBA requires board approval for .20 per hour raises for obtaining and retaining licenses. Benny D. currently holds both required for the department. (mosquito & herbicides) The committee is open to 2 employees holding these licenses, if Grant sees fit for the department. All in attendance were in agreement with Benny D. receiving a .40 increase for his licenses.

6. Discussion of the status on the Mi-Ox installation at the water treatment plant was led by Grant. Grant informed the committee that the pilot unit we were supposed to receive had not come back to Mi-Ox early enough this fall to make our installation prior to fall water main flushing. However, Mi-Ox is currently building the Village a brand new unit that hopefully will be in place prior to spring water main flushing. At the end of the pilot time, it shall remain in place instead of having to make a swap for a new unit following the pilot program timeframe.
7. Discussion of the status of the Village's Capital Improvement Plan was led by Grant. Grant informed the committee that the conduit had finally been moved for the new blowers so the local contractors can get in there and shore up the building. (roll up door, siding, trim) The Village received a letter from IEPA stating our project plan for the lining project has been approved, but that there are still additional requirements to be met before a loan commitment is achieved. Also, the explosion proofing of the rake room at the wastewater treatment plant is now onto the bidding phase of the project. Grant said he expects a bid opening in late Nov.-early Dec. for the project.

#### General Discussion

Several items were discussed during the general discussion. A bill for a sewer back up at Kitchen Seed, where the Village was not contacted prior to them calling a sewer service company. The topic of ordinances in relation to building permit timeframes and history of the subject. The Village will be sending letters to 2 residences about zoning violations. As well as a short update on the sanitary sewer installation for the Arthur Sale Barn, where we are currently waiting on signatures for easements across an adjoining land owners property.

Adjourned 8:37 PM

