

UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 6, 2006, 7:30 p.m.

The Utilities Committee meeting was held on November 6, 2006, at North Royalton City Hall, 13844 Ridge Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Vincent Gentile, members Denise Bobulsky, Larry Antoskiewicz; Lisa Uffman-Kirsch; City Engineer Clark Merdes, Wastewater Superintendent Charles Johnson, Frank Greenland and Betsy Yingling from NEORS, Sun Star Reporter Joanne DuMound, Paula Recker.

Moved by Mrs. Bobulsky, seconded by Mr. Antoskiewicz to **approve the minutes of September 7, 2006.** Roll Call: Yeas: **3.** Nays: **0.** **Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Proposed Amendments to October 2, 2006, Minutes:

- Item 8: change “#1 pump is *done* right now” to #1 pump is *down* right now”

Moved by Mr. Antoskiewicz seconded by Mrs. Bobulsky to **approve the minutes of October 2, 2006, as amended.** Roll Call: Yeas: **3.** Nays: **0.** **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Gas wells on city property (Law Director is in negotiations)**
No Report.
2. **Beckenham Rd. sewer work status**
See attached letter dated October 23, 2006. Mrs. Uffman-Kirsch recommends removal from agenda as per her conversation with Law Department.
3. **Wind power.**
No report.
4. **Ridge Road sewer update.**
Project is under way; main will be installed by the end of the week. Project should be substantially complete by end of the year.
5. **Mechanical feasibility of sanitary sewers in the area of 10763 York Road**
Engineer provided information on costing of potential project.
6. **Wiltshire Road sewer odor status.**
No report.
7. **Kurtz Brothers contract status (Waiting for response from Law Director)**
No Report.
8. **Wastewater Superintendent's report.**
I & I at State Rd. is progressing, people are making repairs to their property. Flow meters at W. Ridge (Broadview Hts.) indicate there is I&I in Sharon, W. Ridge, and older areas of Jamestown/Foxwood during high flows. Wastewater will inspect area for issues. Pamela/Parkdale-camera run on both streets, clear water out of almost every connection after a rain fall, very possible cross connections. Compost facility gathering wood waste from tree cutting companies to save costs. Inflow at wet well “A” plant, waiting for bearing in a few weeks, #2&3 pumps on list with FEMA from the June 22, 2006, rain, now October 17, 2007, rain froze the bad bearings in #1 pump & 2&3 pumps are scored very bad. WWSD is preparing for the worst scenario so we can still pump.

9. **Storm water utility discussion.**
See new business #1
10. **Proposed Ordinance 05-183, regarding accessible sanitary sewers.**
Mrs. Uffman-Kirsch feels that 05-183 is not covered in sanitary code rewrite. Moved by Mrs. Bobulsky, seconded by Mr. Antoskiewicz to recommend approval to Council. Roll Call: Yeas: **3**. Nays: **0**. **Motion carried.**
11. **Sanitary sewer connection (tap-in) request City of Parma and City of Broadview Heights.**
Engineer will make a request from the design consultant for the committee
12. **Telcos & Video Services.**
No report.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **NEORS D stormwater efforts.**
Frank Greenland provided a brief history of NEORS D. Now focusing on storm water drainage requirements in 60 member communities prior to the implementation of Phase II regulations. Inter community storm water drainage network, costs to maintain RIDE study, developed solutions, problems are increasing in scope and frequency. To solve these inter-community problems, a revenue stream of \$340,000,000 is needed in capitol improvements in 2002 dollars. Cleaning storm sewers etc., \$23 million annually district area service wide.

Moved by Mr. Antoskiewicz, seconded by Mrs. Bobulsky to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: Yeas: **3**. Nays: **0**.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.