

Village of Sunbury Services Meeting

Minutes

July 15, 2020

Virtual Meeting

Chairperson Joe St. John opened the Sunbury Village Services meeting at 6:30 p.m., July 15, 2020, via virtual with a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those answering roll call: Martin Fisher, Joseph St. John, and Damin Cappel. Also, in attendance, via virtual were Engineer David Parkinson, Mayor Tommy Hatfield, Administrator Allen Rothermel and Fiscal Officer Kathy Belcher.

Visitors

Tommy Hatfield
David Parkinson

Discussion Items

Fisher

- **BST&G Chief Kovach**
Will wait until next meeting

Parkinson

- Gave an update on the 2020 street project.
 - Explained that the Village applied for OPWC funding for the 2020 street program in the Fall of 2019, requesting close to \$600,000 in grant and loan funds as part of a one-million-dollar total street project. We were informed late in the year that the Village had scored well enough to be funded. When COVID 19 hit the capital improvement budget could not get passed, thus not funding the OPWC, with the end result being there was not funding for the Village of Sunbury. The Village then scaled down the project and proceeded to bid out and award the contract to Columbus Asphalt for the scaled down project with a total amount to spend around \$364,000.00. At the end of June, we were informed that the State found some money and placed it in Senate Bill #4. It was signed by the Governor yesterday and in that bill, it funds OPWC. We were then informed that we would get our funds for the 2020 street program. So, the question was how to proceed. The end result was to add the remaining elements that we took out of the program into a second contract and award it to Columbus Asphalt Paving using their bid prices from the first contract. With this added in the second contract would total just shy of \$520,000 dollars. OPWC funding assistance will be around 600,000.00. OPWC has no objection to the number of contracts for the street project. They only care that the Law Director determines that the awarding of the contract is proper. Now that we have the original funding, we would like to expand that contract to the original scope of work and award the work to Columbus Asphalt. The work would be complete by Thanksgiving.

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St. John

Led the discussion on the tree replacement program.

- End result will be to count the trees needed to be removed.
Remove the trees in house or outsource the work

The next step is to decide to replace the trees or not and if they are being replaced, where? in the tree lawn area or not?

- He stated that he believed that the consensus of the resident would be to remove and replace close to the same area. The project might be better served being outsourced, but that decision will be made after the plan has been decided upon.

Fisher

Thought that it might be better to remove all of the trees now and replace next spring.

The discussion for replacement would also include the species of trees to avoid disease of a common species. Thoughts included perhaps doing a planting of clusters of different species. This will be decided at a later date. Allen/Brad will work on a plan for submittal at the next meeting.

Rothermel

Dale Wampler had informed Allen that he is having an electrical issue with the AV lights. An electrician is currently working on issue for most of the day today. **Brad** is working is working on traffic and drainage issues. Particularly with issues related to the heavy storms of late. Part of the solution to the storm water would involve an additional storm water fee collected with the sewer bills.

St. John

Gave thanks to **Allen Rothermel** for the recent updates to the Delaware County Auditor's website completed through the Delaware County Soil and Water District. All of the data from the storm water system analysis has been integrated with the Delaware County Auditor's GIS system.

Mayor Hatfield

Brought up the subject that currently the Ohio EPA through the OWDA has a current loan program with an interest rate percent below 1%, he suggested that now would be a great time to perhaps design a project with in the WWTP that would fit the guidelines of the program. This will be researched and brought back to the committee and or Council for further discussion and action. **Parkinson** informed the committee that the program is through the branch of the Ohio EPA called Division of the Environmental and Financial Assistance Group. The application is due August 31. It is a nomination form and the information will be easily obtained from **Dale**. Once the submittal is complete, they are then scored similar to the OPWC project and then the projects are funded from the top down until the funds are exhausted. Several dates were discussed for the next services meeting, they landed on August 19, 2020 at 6:30pm.

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New Business

Motion to Adjourn

All Yeas.

Joseph St. John, Chairperson

Kathy Belcher, Finance Director