

## REGULAR BPA

AUGUST 11, 2003

The meeting was called to order by President Ed Seigerst with Stephanie Byrne, James Reider, Superintendent Jeff Sheehan, Solicitor Mark Manlove, Clerk Nancy Baldwin, Mayor Craig Moser, Dave Kirk, Karen Clyde, Chad Harris, Cathy Strobe, Mike Cook, Gladys Baldwin, Karen Krenzel, Mr. and Mrs. Rainer, Mr. and Mrs. Copozzo.

Moved by Reider, seconded by Seigerst to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2003 meeting as presented by the Clerk.

VOTE AYES-Seigerst, Reider

ABSTAIN-Stephanie Byrne (absent July meeting.)

Moved by Byrne, seconded by Reider to pay the bills.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Residents from Liberty Street were present to discuss the proposed Liberty Street Sewer Line. The Board had requested a cost estimate to replace the existing line on Windham Street. From Liberty Street to the Wastewater Treatment Plant driveway would cost about \$200,000.00 more than Liberty Street. There is a problem with the private sewer line on Windham Street some businesses have tied into the sewer line and it causing problems. Residents from Liberty Street are concerned about the cost and when they will have to tie into the line. The Board said it would share some of the cost and would propose to residents a time frame to tie-in depending on the life of a septic system. Gladys Baldwin said that even though the cost is higher to replace the existing line on Windham Street it would be better to do that and the Board pay the cost. Many residents on Liberty Street are retired and can't afford to pay for a sewer line. Mike Cook said that the Board should pay 100% for the sewer line because it would benefit the Village and not the residents on Liberty Street. Karen Krenzel said she working three jobs now to keep up with her property and that the sewer line would make it almost impossible for her to keep her home. Karen Clyde said if the sewer line goes down Liberty Street that would increase the capacity at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and there is hidden cost in this project. By increasing the capacity you will also have to expand the Wastewater Treatment Plant sooner. Board President Ed Seigerst said that the Liberty Street sewer line would not impact the capacity of the Wastewater Treatment Plant it is the growth of the Village that has the greatest impact. Karen Clyde said the population of the Village is declining. In homes where families had two or three children now there are only a husband and wife or maybe just one person. Superintendent Jeff Sheehan said he did not agree that the population of the Village is declining as there have been over 150 new home permits sold in the Village in the last ten years. Stephanie Byrne said that even though residents are not in favor of the sewer line on Liberty Street it would be beneficial in the future and that she wants to review all the options. The Board said that no decision has been made on Liberty Street and there will be Public Hearing and residents will be notified of the hearings. Jim Reider said he would like to see if the Windham Street proposal from Finkbeiner, Pettis and Strout Inc. can be done in two separate sections.

Superintendent's Report. No Action Taken.

Revenue, Expenditure and Cash Balance reports were reviewed.

The Center Street lift station was hit by lightning and is being repaired. There was a failure on South Street sewer line Lake County Sewer has been contracted to repair the leaks. Highland Avenue water line is complete and a new storm sewer has been installed and as of today no complaints from residents. The Water Plant work is complete the new doors have been installed.

On July 21, 2003 the Wastewater Sampler Building flooded and caused an electric short which caused a fire. Finkbeiner, Pettis and Strout Inc. is doing a cost estimate to replace the building for the insurance company.

Board President Ed Seigerst commended Superintendent Jeff Sheehan for the letter sent to the EPA.

There was discussion on the Garretthouse sewer line. The line is in need of repair and the Board will request a proposal to replace the sewer line from Finkbeiner, Pettis and Strout Inc.

Moved by Reider, seconded by Byrne to request a proposal from Finkbeiner, Pettis and Strout Inc. for the replacement of the Garretthouse sewer line.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

President Ed Seigerst would like a timeline on the Wastewater Treatment Expansion. More discussion at the next meeting.

President Ed Seigerst noted that the Ohio Water Development Authority lowered the interest rate to 7% on all the loans.

President Ed Seigerst spoke with Don VanMetre and he is ready for the easement.

Superintendent Jeff Sheehan discussed increasing the water tap- in fees. The current fee for a  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch tap is \$700.00 and a 1inch tap is \$800.00. Using the Village and Board employees to do the water tap in is costing approximately \$1200.00. The Board is in favor of increasing the tap in fees and will recommend that Council increase the  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch tap from \$700.00 to \$1700.00 and the 1inch tap from \$800.00 to \$2000.00.

Moved by Reider, seconded by Byrne to recommend Council increase water tap in fees for the  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch tap to \$1700.00 and the 1 inch tap to \$2000.00.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Superintendent Jeff Sheehan asked the Board for approval to replace the water telemetry system at a cost not to exceed \$5000.00.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Superintendent Jeff Sheehan asked the Board to approve Lake County Sewer repairing sewer joints including South Street at a cost not to exceed \$12,000.00.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Superintendent Jeff Sheehan asked the Board to approve the purchase of a new computer for his office.

Moved by Reider, seconded by Byrne to approve the purchase of a new computer for the Superintendent's office at an estimated cost of \$1000.00 plus installation and transfer of files to new computer done by Atnetplus.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

Superintendent Jeff Sheehan asked the Board about reimbursement for college classes that he takes to maintain his licenses. The Board would like to establish guidelines more discussion at the next meeting.

Moved by Reider, seconded by Byrne to adjourn.

VOTE AYES—Unanimous

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President

ATTEST:

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Clerk