

SERVICE COMMITTEE

July 15, 2024

The July 15, 2024 Service Committee meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Dale Rowe, Chairman. Service Committee members present were Aaron Korte and Dale Rowe. Andy Voorheis was absent.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Dave Schneider, Collections System Supervisor; Aaron Schoenberger, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor; Nickie Coppler, City Auditor; John Walker; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The summary of bills totaling \$76,143.01 was presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Korte, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$76,143.01. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Acting Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the July 1, 2024 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Service Committee member, were approved as received.

Mrs. Nickie Coppler, City Auditor, presented a Detail vs. Budget Report Account Summary for the Street and Sanitation Departments from January 1, 2024 to July 11, 2024. It was noted that the Sanitation Fund budget is low and a review of the sanitation rates is needed. Service Committee members agreed to table this matter until they can discuss possible increases in the sanitation rates with Mr. Brad Taylor, Street and Sanitation Supervisor, and then make a recommendation to City Council.

Mayor McColly indicated that increases in sewer rates need to be reviewed and he would like to see an annual inflationary increase in the sewer rates. Mr. Korte noted that increases in the sewer rates need to be addressed to prepare for future sewer costs and expenses. Mrs. Coppler will inquire with the City of Oberlin's Finance Director to determine what they do to avoid having to come back to City Council every year about utility rates.

Mr. Schoenberger reported that two weeks ago a wastewater pump at the Water Plant went out. Harris Electric pulled the pump out and C & C Electric Motor will be fixing the pump at an approximate cost of \$2,000.00.

Mr. Schoenberger also reported that a 6" pinch valve was repaired last week and a new flow indicator was installed at the Water Plant.

Mr. Schoenberger further reported that the High School Boys Soccer Team will soon be removing brush from the disc golf course.

Mr. Schneider reported that Commerce Drive is on the list to be resurfaced this summer and there are twenty-four (24) catch basins that will need to be raised along with this project and new forms will need to be built to raise these catch basins.

Mayor McColly reported on behalf of Mr. Brad Taylor, Street and Sanitation Supervisor, that on Thursday and Friday of this week the Street Department will be grinding West Church Street, from North Eighth Street to North Warpole Street, and South Warpole Street, from West Wyandot Avenue to West Hicks Street, and South Fifth Street, from East Wyandot Avenue to East Johnson Street, in preparation of new street surfacing. Commerce Drive resurfacing will also be addressed, but this roadway will be overlaid not ground, and Maple Drive will be tarred and chipped.

Mayor McColly will obtain a list of streets scheduled for resurfacing from Mr. Taylor and provide this information to the members of the Service Committee and City Council.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Dale Rowe, Chairman