

SERVICE COMMITTEE

January 21, 2025

The January 21, 2025 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, Dale Rowe, and Andy Voorheis.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Doug Keller, Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor; John Walker; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The summary of bills totaling \$116,050.49 was presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Voorheis, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$116,050.49. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the January 6, 2025 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Service Committee member, were approved as received.

Mayor McColly reported that the new automated garbage truck will be delivered in early February 2025 and the toter cans will be delivered in mid-February 2025. Mr. Korte indicated that the toter cans need to be labeled with addresses to ensure the toter cans stay at the address for which they are being provided.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of charging for cardboard dumpsters in effort to recoup at least some of the expense the City is enduring for this service which is currently free. Mr. Korte suggested that either the Recycling Center take over the City's cardboard route with their own equipment including dumpsters and a truck, or the City get a cardboard baler and do their own cardboard recycling. Mr. Korte noted that the estimated cost of a cardboard baler is approximately \$300,000.00. Mayor McColly indicated that he will discuss this matter with a representative from the Recycling Center and report his findings at the next Service Committee meeting.

Mr. Keller reported that due to the current extreme cold weather, employees at the Wastewater Treatment Plant are dealing with freezing and water leaks.

Mr. Keller invited Service Committee members to attend a meeting to be held on Thursday, January 23, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. with representatives from the Louis Dreyfus Company to discuss the Valencia soybean processing facility to be located west of the City in Salem Township.

Mayor McColly reported that he will be meeting with representatives from Waterworth on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. to look at projections for the Water Plant, and they will soon begin to work with the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor McColly reported that he continues to work with representatives from Omni Fiber in effort to get the City's lift stations online.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Dale Rowe, Chairman