

SERVICE COMMITTEE

December 15, 2025

The December 15, 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; Brad Taylor, Street and Sanitation Supervisor; Keith Niederkohr, Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor; John Walker; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The summary of bills totaling \$155,234.00 was presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Rowe, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$155,234.00. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the December 1, 2025 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Service Committee member, were approved as received.

Service Committee members reviewed the following bid tabulations prepared by Peterman Associates for the Interceptor Sewer Project:

Helms & Sons Excavating 1753 Lima Avenue Findlay, Ohio 45840	-	\$4,802,821.70
Underground Utilities 416 West Monroe Street P.O. Box 428 Monroeville, Ohio 44847	-	\$4,957,364.64
Elite Excavating Company of Ohio 4500 Snodgrass Road Mansfield, Ohio 44903	-	\$6,373,565.64
Driven Excavating P.O. Box 320 Crestline, Ohio 44827	-	\$7,877,100.98

It was noted that Peterman Associates has recommended the bid from Helms & Sons Excavating as the lowest and best bid for the project. Mr. Niederkohr explained the route of the project.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Korte, to recommend to City Council to approve the bid of \$4,802,821.70 from Helms & Sons Excavating, 1753 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio 45840 for the Interceptor Sewer Project. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Information was presented regarding the bidding process for the Tertiary Filter Building Improvements Project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. It was noted that this project will be funded partially through a grant from the Ohio Department of Development. Tentatively, bids for the proposed project will be advertised locally four (4) times between Tuesday, December 23, 2025 and January 3, 2026 and the bid opening will take place on Friday, January 23, 2026.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Korte, to proceed with the advertisement of bids and bid opening for the Tertiary Filter Building Improvements Project. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Taylor reported that he is hoping to get the truck that pulls the recycling trailer back tomorrow since the motor was replaced under warranty following his report of the matter at the November 3, 2025 Service Committee meeting.

Mr. Taylor also reported that the Street and Sanitation Departments' 2015 Dodge 2500 pickup truck recently experienced an engine failure, so a pickup truck from the Wastewater Treatment Plant is being borrowed to pull the recycling trailer.

Mr. Taylor further reported that following recent snow events, two hundred (200) ton of road salt is scheduled to be delivered tomorrow.

Mr. Niederkohr reported that he has been working on the tech side of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mr. Niederkohr also reported that he is working on a mercury variance report that is due in February 2026.

Mr. Niederkohr reported on behalf of Mr. Dave Schneider, Collections System Supervisor, that due to settling, dirt was added to the hole created by the collapse and repair of a storm sewer and sanitary sewer on South Sandusky Avenue.

Mayor McColly reported on behalf of Mr. Aaron Schoenberger, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor, that employees from the Water Department repaired a water main break last night beginning around 10:00 p.m.

Mayor McColly also reported that he and Mr. Schoenberger will be meeting tomorrow with HydroCorp.

Mayor McColly indicated that health insurance meetings were held recently with City employees.

Mayor McColly noted that City representatives will be attending CPR/AED training on Friday, January 23, 2026.

Mayor McColly will be attending an Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) meeting in Mansfield on Thursday, December 18, 2025 with a watermain project for the City being considered for funding.

Mr. Bruce Brandstetter, Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., will be attending the City Council meeting to be held on Monday, December 22, 2025 regarding options for the Fourth Street ADA Sidewalks and Curb Ramps Project..

Mayor McColly further reported that components for the Tarhe Lift Station are being purchased with construction expected to take place in the spring of 2026. It was noted that there was a recent meeting with representatives from American Electric Power (AEP) about getting electric to the site.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Korte, to enter into an executive session to discuss executive evaluations. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried. Upon completion of the executive session, the Service Committee reconvened into regular session.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Dale Rowe, Chairman