

Infrastructure Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
May 18, 2022

Members present: Harper, Cook, Arbury

Staff present: Holton, Edmondson, Scott

Public: Laura Cavendish, Carl Wizinsky, Anne Harper, Greg Noble, Marcia Boyton

The meeting was called to order at 1:35pm

The agenda was approved as presented.

Public comments- Anne Harper asked if the public could comment during the discussion on RFP's , an agenda item.

We received an update from Joni and Chris on our water rates. Joni stated she had a talk with Kyle Vond, from Michigan Rural Waters, and he was willing to help us do a rate study. Mr. Vond would be available in July or August to meet in the office. He did make a recommendation to still go with a 20% increase. We will still have to amend our water ordinance to remove our rate schedule.

Updates on RFP's- We received two proposals, one from Prein & Newhof for \$22,600.00 and one from Machin Engineering, Inc. for \$49,900.00. Anne Harper questioned why Machin Engineering was doing 20 soil borings and Prein & Newhof was only doing 3 borings. She was also wondering why the difference in price between the two bids. The committee and Chris also had a long discussion on the difference between the bids. Marcia Boyton also questioned the geography of the bids. She believes there is a relationship, of the problem, above Rose Street and boring samples should reflect that. All parties think we should get Prein & Newhof and Machin Engineering together with the committee and have them compare bids and find out what the real difference is. Carl Wisinsky reminded the committee that this has been going on for 20 years and that approximately 15 years ago a study was done. He states that this problem has cost the homeowners in the area a lot of money. He was also disappointed that he never got a copy of the second RFP. We asked Joni about funding for this

project. She stated the local street fund had approximately \$6000.00 for a project like this. We, the committee, would need to go to the Finance Committee for review of the project. Marcia Boyton then brought up the subject of the standing water in her yard. She was wondering what the Village could do to help her with this problem. She had contacted two different contractors and they did not get back with her. She would like to do something about this, but doesn't want to further the problem. She feels very strong that this engineering study needs to be done. We also heard from Greg Noble. He stated his problem is in the Village right of way and this has been going on way to long. He would like to see this on the next Village Council meeting agenda.

We received a report from the DPW.

We received a report from the Planning Commission

Second Public Comments: Anne Harper asked, if we have a special infrastructure meeting before the council meeting, to please let everyone know.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustee Cook. All ayes, the meeting was adjourned at 2:33pm.