

Village of Moreland Hills

Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2023

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 8:00am

Establish Quorum: The following members of the facilities committee were present: Service Director Ted DeWater; Village Engineer Jeff Filarski; Mayor Ethan Spencer; Councilwomen Jennette Irish-Glass; Committee Chair Thomas Fish.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: A motion was made by Jenette Irish-Glass seconded by Ted Dewater, to approve the March meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Resident Concerns:

No concerns from residents.

Building Maintenance:

Reviewing budget for updates to Police Department restrooms.

Looking for traffic barriers for village hall that would look nice such as cement flowerpots instead of standard poles.

Village hall basement windows are being replaced with glass block windows.

The memorial stone at the village hall is out of space. We are working with Sheffield monument to figure out a plan.

Utilities:

The Jackson pump station cannot keep up with high flow rates. We are looking for larger pumps. The service department is looking at existing ponds to see if something is not connected correctly. After it stops raining the flow does not stop as quickly as it should. There is infiltration into the sanitary sewer from excessive ground water. Jeff is reviewing the issue. The existing pumps could be used as backup in other pump stations. We may be able to replace the impeller and use a larger motor without replacing the entire pump.

Green tree pump station modifications went out for bid. At this point we have not received any bids. Jeff is still looking for additional companies to try and get bids. The situation is not an emergency, it does burden the maintenance department, they need to empty twice a week.

The blowers in the green tree pump station also need to be replaced. Ted has several quotes. The best quote so far is just over \$19,000 to replace two blowers.

Sewer inspection program

For 2023 we are working on the south portion of the village. The estimated cost is \$240,000. There will be a request to allow for quotes to come up at the next meeting. The inspection would cover sanitary

sewers, storm sewers and Culverts. This is part of a three-year rotation next year would include the center section of the village.

There is an issue with grease in the sanitary sewers. The grease does cause issues with the pumps. The feeling is that the restaurants in the strip on the northwest corner of 91 and Chagrin are not following the rules. Jeff has contacted the owner of the development. The owner is not returning the calls. We need to look at solutions including possibly fining the building owner.

Parks and Greenspace:

Mowing season will begin soon. The service department will target 5-7 cul-de-sacs for updates in 2023. There are plans for improvements, tree removal and new plantings.

Garfield Park has brush piles to remove. The new signs for the trail will arrive within the next thirty days. We have been awarded \$186,000 toward the stair project that is estimated at \$250,000. Jeff is working with accounting to see if we can make this project work.

Miscellaneous: Green tree road hydrants came up. The development is not maintaining the system and hydrants properly. We need to come up with a solution. The development is pushing back. There is the possibility to tie into Chagrins water supply. There are many issues that will need to be worked through including how much and who pays. The development is using a well which has good water, but it doesn't have a strong enough flow to handle a large fire. There is a concern that if there's a large enough house fire that the system will not function properly causing a dangerous situation.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:46 by Jenette Irish-Glass seconded by Jeff Filarski.

Next Meeting: May 2nd, 2023 @ 8:00 a.m.