

Village of Moreland Hills
Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2021

Virtual Meeting

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 8:30

Establish Quorum: The following members of the facilities committee were present: Councilman David Emerman; Mayor Dan Fritz; Service Director Ted DeWater; Village Engineer Jeff Filarski; Councilwoman Monica Sturgis

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

A motion was made by Mayor Fritz, seconded by Mr. DeWater, to approve the November meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Building maintenance:

Mr. DeWater reported that a hot water tank in the police building was replaced in December and that otherwise the buildings are in good repair. Mr. DeWater also stated that the service department will soon do a walk through of the village campus and make recommendations on upgrades to be included in the upcoming budget.

Utilities

1) Plant and Pump Station updates

Mr. DeWater reported that the work being done on the pump stations has been slower than expected due to the difficulty and delay in obtaining part due to COVID-19. The Winterberry Pump station had an issue involving water getting into electrical conduit causing a short in one of the pumps. The service department had the wiring replaced by an outside contractor. One of the two pumps was old and was ultimately replaced because the cost of a new pump was close to the cost of repair. The other pump was sent out for repair and is being held up waiting for parts. Currently the system is being run by the mobile backup pump.

Mr. DeWater also report that the Woodland Glen pump station as an issue with an electrical utility pole that has a rotted base and fell during the December 1 storm. The pole was raised back up and is currently secured. It was determined that the pole is village property. An outside contractor was retained to replace the pole. The Village's project is in the queue with the outside contractor, but the contractor is still working through other jobs it has resulting from December 1 storm.

There was a conversation among members regarding the benefits of having purchased the backup pump last year and specifically the benefits of purchasing the quieter pump.

2) 2020 Sewer Inspection & Cleaning & 2020 Sewer Rehabilitation

Mr. Filarski reported that United Survey is currently finishing the cleaning and inspection program. He is reviewing the inspection videos to determine if the contractor needs to go back and doing additional cleaning. United Survey also submitted pre-lining videos, which Mr. Filarski is currently reviewing. Mr. Filarski anticipates the sewer lining will start in approximately two weeks.

There was a general discussion about flooding of residential properties during previous storms and their various causes.

Parks and Greenspace

1) Forest Ridge updates – Pavilion

Mayor Fritz reported that the current preliminary estimate for the Pavilion is \$292K, which includes demo, bathrooms, parking, paving, and construction of the structure. The Village has \$150K from a nature works grant and \$75K from the capital budget. The Village needs to decide how it wants to fund the remainder of the project. Mr. Filarski reported that the project costs had gone up due to the increased cost of lumber of the past year. The current estimate does not include the cost of a fireplace, which would increase the costs of the project by approximately \$30K.

Mr. DeWater also reported that there are a lot of downed trees in Forest Ridge resulting from the December 1 storm. The Service department cut and removed trees that were blocking the trails and will return to take care of the rest of the trees after completing the residential chipping.

Miscellaneous Business and updates

1) Corporation Sign Replacement

Mr. DeWater reported that our current corporation signs are from 2002 and many signs are now faded. The Service Department and the Mayor discussed changing the design of the signs since so many now need to be replaced. The service department is going to hold an art contest at the commercial art classes at Orange and Chagrin to design a new sign for the Village

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned 8:58 am.

Next meeting: March 2, 2021 @ 8:30am