

BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Village of Hartville, OH

April 13, 2009

The Board of Public Affairs met in regular session on April 13, 2009.

ROLL CALL ~ Mr. Blythe, Mr. Campbell are present and Mr. Miller absent.

The first order of business is to approve the minutes. Motion made by Mr. Blythe to accept the minutes, second by Mr. Campbell, and passed by all in attendance.

Bills paid second half March and first half of April, 2009:

Thomas G. Graber	\$1,212.66	Akron Bearing	\$64.50
Laquita M. Pickard	\$1,319.24	Summit Environmental	\$882.00
James C. Baxter	\$1,535.54	ISCO Inc.	\$420.56
Gary A. Wenzel	\$653.18	Hartville Hardware	\$181.30
Opers	\$1,514.10	Metro Disposal	\$112.20
Wenger Excavating	\$11,000.00	Aultcare/MLIC	\$1,946.95
Aultcare/MLIC	\$1,946.95	First HSA, Inc.	\$212.49
First HSA, Inc.	\$212.49	Tom Graber	\$1,212.66
Dale Campbell	\$325.79	Laquita Pickard	\$991.09
Forest Miller	\$325.79	James Baxter	\$1,241.40
Bob Blythe	\$325.79	Gary Wenzel	\$653.18
Postmaster	\$202.31		
Huntington Bank	\$87.09		
Opers	\$1,522.99		
Principal Life Group	\$33.99		
Verizon Wireless	\$87.75		
Sand Rock Mineral Water	\$26.25		
Rentwear, Inc.	\$207.40		
ADT Security Sys	\$439.52		
Ohio Edison	\$8,283.86	TOTAL	\$39,402.26
AT & T	\$221.24		

Motion made to accept the bills by Mr. Blythe, second by Mr. Campbell, passed by all in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

On Longaberger, Tom was able to talk to MaryAnn and basically we were supposed to do a walk through together and the Ohio EPA and since that happened she really can't come up just to do a walk through. She did give me some dates as to when people are going to be over there and tomorrow is one of them, so Jim and I are going to go and walk through the place tomorrow. I also talked with Donna, the pretreatment coordinator of Ohio EPA

today, and she couldn't make it for tomorrow and she hope to come in a couple of week, so I will report to her after my findings tomorrow and she is very much interested in that line being capped off. That was one of the things of the Board wanted too. I asked Mary Ann at Longaberger if they put anything on that and she said no, they weren't going to put any more money into the place.

We have been sending a no bill down since December was the last time and I talked to Lori today in billing and asked what we did with Schumacher's and we're still billing for them even though they are shut down. I recommend to the Board that we start, a minimum bill of \$48.30.

Is Schumacher paying their bill?

I don't know, they are getting billed, but I do not know if they are paying. I recommend that we start billing them again, \$48.30 a month, unless we come up with some different charge, but that is what the normal charge is and if I see something different tomorrow, I'll talk to you Dale.

Since the last meeting I talked with Rob about the trash trap on that wastewater disclosure form 321 for the car dealership and he said he is continuing to work on it with Stark County.

On the High School lift station generator, the contractor that takes care of that for us, has been in and it is still not correct yet, he is still working on that. We did receive a bill on that but he said to hold out on that bill because he thought it was fixed, but it is still causing problems.

I was going to ask the question on the surcharges, whether the Village did anything at the last meeting about getting an ordinance passed?

They did not. Gary will check into this.

That is all for Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

My February monthly report there is no violations and nothing really to point out. If you have any questions, I can try to answer them.

Is the pump station at the high school do the records show that there has been more of a maintenance cost to that than any of the others?

We do have some problems with the other generator at Danbury too, but we really haven't gotten too much expense in that one so far. A lot of that was covered by warranty, yes we do have more expense at the high school lift station than any other ones. I don't know about electricity use.

Gary suggested that it could be broken down with the Ohio Edison bills.

We had a small leak on one of the air releases on the high school lift station and it was a very, very small leak, once we pumped out the manhole to try and find out where the leak was, there was no leak after that, so the only thing we could figure out is all it takes is a piece of scale of something like that, it must of went somewhere else, it's okay now.

How significant was the leak at Wyndham bridge?

It was pretty significant.

Discussion pursued.

Dean Stahl, our rep from the NE Ohio EPA conducted an inspection of the wastewater treatment plant and I put a copy of that report in your box, it was March 24 is when he did that inspection.

This was more of a special inspection because he was doing a follow up inspection after a meeting that he had had with Village Officials on January 29th.

Gary gave a Cash Flow for year to date through March and that pretty much breaks down the finances with the beginning balance, ending balance and you will see revenue and expenses listed there, so it is straight forward out of our financial system. We are seeing the ending balance higher than the beginning, we are going in the right direction.

Side note ~ we got our first release from Stark County on the property taxes for the special assessments and they are higher than what we thought. We were expecting 48 range and we got like 58, so it was higher. We'll see that routinely for the next 20 years. That's a half.

Discussion pursued.

Gary and Tom went to an ARCAP training class a couple of weeks ago. They have four classes and we went to the third one and I think we got stuff out of that, it was very informative. Met some people from some agencies we deal with, so that is very helpful. You can kind of hear where other people are coming from, their concerns, other municipalities, townships, etc. It was good, it is always good and it helps. This is the third class that I took, one more class and I get certified through ARCAP and if we ever have loans again, we will get a half percent taken off your loan amount because you attended these classes. It has some benefits, but ARCAP will really open the doors for us with the whole grants and see what is available.

We just found out towards the end of the week Bocharrie's office released earmarks and we were listed and he earmarked us for \$2M and now it is going through the legislature for passage. Dan Moss called some people to find out what this really means and it turns out that his boss has been involved in a number of these things and generally what

happens in normal times, you probably won't get the \$2M, you'll get something, it could be like \$700,000 up to 1.4 in that range, but they are also saying at the same time, Bocharrie is a democrat and it's a democratic state, democratic governor, they are all pushing the stimulus and earmarks and wanting to really show themselves as look we are doing for the state, we may get more than we would normally get because of that.

Discussion pursued.

Since we threw our name in so many hats and had so many conversations, we just stirred ourselves up much in the mix of things, we got noticed and it is pretty neat to see that happening.

Discussion continued.

What about the billing of the sewer bills, have you worked that out?

Yes, we were looking at that third party, we worked with the software manufacturer of the financials and utilities which Lori works on with sewer bills and the tax system. We told them we were having problems with our mailings because the post office is saying you must fit this stringent requirement of where things are placed on a card, letter or envelope and we're having trouble conforming to this. Well they contacted a person that helped them prior to the current format. He called me then he talked with Lori and he tried some things and sent her some templates. They uploaded some patches, if you would, and they spit out an 8 ½ x 11 you will get four sewer bills on it. They are perforated. So we took that down to the post office and asked if it will work? They said it would work! We ran a batch just to see and took it down and it went right through.

Discussion pursued.

Date for the next meeting will be Monday, May 4th.

Motion made by Mr. Blythe to adjourn, second by Mr. Campbell and passed by all in attendance.

FISCAL OFFICER

CHAIRMAN