

**Council Committee Meetings
September 15, 2020**

Present: Council President M. Harwood, Councilmembers L. Carouse, D. Caruso, D. Kingston, A. Koepke, L. Redinger, K. Veras. Mayor Jerry N. Hruby, Assistant Law Director S. DiGeronimo, Engineer G. Wise, , Purchasing Director Riser, Fire Chief N. Zamiska, Police Chief Goodrich, and Clerk of Council T. Tabor.

Via Teleconference: Law Director D. Matty, Veras, Councilmember, Councilmember, Finance Director L. Starosta Service Director R. Weidig.

Absent: None.

Buildings & Grounds Committee

Chairperson - K. Veras

Committee members – D. Caruso, L. Redinger.

Chairperson Veras called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

Roll Call – Present: Caruso, Redinger, Veras.

Absent - None.

August 18, 2020 Buildings & Grounds Committee Minutes: Motion by Veras, seconded by Redinger to approve the August 18, 2020 Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

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September 1, 2020 Buildings & Grounds Committee Minutes: Motion by Veras, seconded by Redinger to approve the September 1, 2020 Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

4450 Oakes Road Boiler: Councilmember Veras said this is in Building No. 7 which houses the Montessori School at Blossom Hill. Service Director Weidig said the boiler was installed in 2005 and is no longer under warranty. And after receiving several quotes Boiler Specialists had the lowest and best bid for this project.

- Motion by Veras, seconded by Redinger, to recommend to Council approval of a Purchase Requisition to Boiler Specialists in the amount of \$7,776.00 for repairs to the boiler at 4450 Oakes Road, Blossom Hill Building #7. Account #110161 2603. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.



Fall Trees: Councilmember Veras said fall trees are needed for the City. The lowest and best quotes were reviewed and confirmed by the City of Brecksville Horticulturist, Joe Dwyer, and approved by Service Director, Ron Weidig. Service Director Weidig said the City will be planting 108 trees this fall. The City did not plant trees in the spring of 2020 due to the pandemic. Trees will be planted to replace some that were damaged from traffic accidents and some will be planted for new homes.

- Motion by Veras, seconded by Redinger, to recommend to Council approval of a Blanket Vendor Purchase Requisition in the amount of \$17,040.00 for the purchase of (103) new and replacement Fall Trees *Account #252530 2201 to be charged \$12,827.00. Account #110171 2205 to be charged \$4,213.00.* Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

4410 Oakes Rd. Building No. 7, HVAC Equipment: Councilmember Veras said an Ordinance has been prepared for the state contract purchase for the installation of HVAC Equipment at 4410 Oakes Road. Service Director Weidig said the City has successfully used this equipment through contract purchasing for the Community Center Rooftop units.

- Motion by Veras, seconded by Redinger, to recommend to Council approval of an Ordinance for the U.S. Communities contract purchase from Trane U.S., Inc. for the turnkey installation of HVAC equipment at 4410 Oakes Road in the aggregate amount of \$12,306.00. *Account #C490161 3202 Project #BI200014.* Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Adjournment: Motion by Veras, seconded by Caruso, to adjourn the Buildings & Grounds Committee at 6:09 P.M. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Finance Committee

Chairperson - Laura Redinger

Committee members - L. Carouse, A. Koepke.

Chairman Redinger called the meeting to order at 6:09 P.M.

Roll Call – Present: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger.

Absent - None.

August 18, 2020 Finance Committee Minutes: Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to approve the August 18, 2020 Finance Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

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September 1, 2020 Finance Committee Minutes: Motion by Veras, seconded by Redinger to approve the September 1, 2020 Finance Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Amend Agenda: Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to amend the Agenda to include discussion for an Appropriation Amendment Ordinance and Transfer Resolution. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Appropriations & Transfers: Finance Director Starosta said the appropriation amendment deals with the CARES Act funding. The adjustment will increase estimated resources and various expenditure lines to account for this funding.

Finance Director Starosta said the transfers are the standard quarterly fund transfers. Finance Director Starosta said she has not included the budgeted advance from the General Fund to the OPWC Fund to cover cash flow shortfalls from special assessment collections. The second half collections from the County for special assessments has not been received yet. If the advance is necessary, Finance Director Starosta will propose legislation at that time.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to approve an Ordinance amending Ordinance 5277 making appropriations for current expenses. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.
- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Koepke, to recommend to Council approval of a Resolution making necessary transfers between certain funds. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

CARES ACT: Councilmember Redinger said there are (5) items that have been requested under the Cares Act Funding.

Councilmember Redinger asked if the first item requested, the UVC Disinfecting Device, was being purchased using two grant sources. Purchasing Director Riser said Council approved the \$10,000.00 grant award that the Police Department received from the Department of Justice Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program. That grant would lower the CARES Act funds used for this item to \$14,900.00. Councilmember Redinger asked how much of the \$143,000 in funding, how much of the funding is left to be utilized. After the (5) items requested for purchase are all approved, the fund would have approximately \$72,000.00 remaining, with several projects remaining, that will be brought forth to Council in October.

Purchasing Director Riser said the expenditures must be directly related to the new environment created by the pandemic. Additional purchases are expected to be requested in October.

UVC Disinfecting Devices: Purchasing Director Riser said the Police Department has requested purchase of a portable device that uses ultra violet light that effectively and efficiently sanitizes all surfaces the light come in contact with. This unit will be used primarily for Police Vehicles, work stations and equipment, but will be available to all City Departments. The cost will be paid by a \$10,000 award from the Department of Justice Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program and the Cares Act funding expenditure of \$14,900.00.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to recommend to Council approval of a purchase Requisition in the amount of \$24,900.00 for a UVC Disinfecting Device for the Police Station. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Mobile Computers for Service Admin & Council Clerk: Purchasing Director Riser said two mobile computers are needed for the Council Clerk and the Service Administrator Kristen Kouri. Both personnel require the ability to work remotely in a fully functioning electronic environment.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Koepke, to recommend to Council approval of a purchase requisition in the amount of \$6,183.24 for (2) Dell Mobile Computer Systems for the Council Clerk and Service administrator. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Live Video Streaming Package: Purchasing Director Riser said the system is portable and will allow for the live streaming of various City events. Purchasing Director Riser said the purchase includes (3) cameras and related equipment. The system will be installed by Myles Rapkin of the City's IT Department, which will save the significant cost of outside installers.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to recommend to Council approval of a purchase requisition in the amount of \$13,675.71 for equipment for the live streaming of various City events such as City Council meetings, Board and Commission meetings, State of the City, and other various events. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Audio System: Purchasing Director Riser said this system is portable, but will be designed for primary use in Council Chambers. The system will be routed through the City's network to allow the management of an event from a separate location. Phone calls can be routed through the system with separate output for live stream activity. Eight wireless microphones and related equipment will be extremely advantageous during times of social distancing. Purchasing Director Riser said the cost includes a \$1,000.00 contingency for unforeseen parts or supplies. Myles Rapkin of the City's IT Department will be installing this system saving the cost of outside installers.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Koepke, to recommend to Council approval of a purchase requisition in the amount of \$19,789.15. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Disinfectant Carts: Purchasing Director Riser said the Fire Department has been using a handheld sprayer to disinfect surfaces during the pandemic, which can be time consuming. The disinfectant cart can allow one person to disinfect a 4,000 – 6,000 square foot area in about one hour. The cost for the disinfectant, which is sprayed on surfaces and left to dry, is \$48.00 per gallon, much less than others at \$120.00 per gallon. One unit will be housed at the Fire Department for use by Fire, City Hall and the Service Department. The second unit will be kept at the Community Center/ Human Services building.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to recommend to Council approval of a purchase requisition in the amount of \$6,220.00 for the purchase of (2) Disinfectant Carts. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Purchasing Director Riser said some additional items being considered for purchase using the remaining CARES Act funds are:

- Temperature Scanning Systems, for select building entries.
- IT Network switches for remote access and other various systems for working remotely.

AT&T Citywide Telecommunication Lines: Councilmember Redinger said an increase is needed for the AT&T Citywide Telecommunication Lines. Purchasing Director Riser said transitioning from the discontinued Centrex lines to the new IP Flex citywide phone system. The City does have a credit dispute open with AT&T in an attempt to recoup part of the cost for the transition delay since this was due to issues on the part of AT&T.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to recommend to Council for approval of an increase to blanket purchase order #BL 199503 in the amount of \$37,000. *Account # 110171 2951*. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Cable & Internet Services: Purchasing Director Riser said the increases for cable & internet with Time Warner/Spectrum are due to a rate increase, as the promotional periods lapsed for the current internet rates, and the cable fees have gone up slightly.

- Motion by Redinger, seconded by Carouse, to recommend to Council approval of an increase to blanket purchase order #BL199503 in the amount of \$1,400.00 to be charged to accounts: Human Services *Account #110330 2951* \$800.00 , Community Center *Account #240710 2951* \$100.00, Police *Account #110210 2951* \$500.00. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Adjournment: Motion by Redinger, seconded by Koepke, to adjourn the Finance Committee meeting at 6:21 P.M. Ayes: Carouse, Koepke, Redinger. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Legislation Committee

Chairperson- Ann Koepke

Committee members – D. Caruso, L. Redinger.

Chairperson Koepke called the meeting to order at 6:22 P.M.

Roll Call – Present: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke.

Absent- None.

August 18, 2020 Legislation Committee Minutes: Motion by Koepke, seconded by Redinger, to approve the August 18, 2020 Legislation Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

September 1, 2020 Legislation Committee Minutes: Motion by Koepke, seconded by Caruso, to approve the September 1, 2020 Legislation Committee meeting minutes as submitted Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Human Services Advisory Board Appointment: Councilmember Koepke said the Committee has (4) appointments to present today. Dr. Tom Cyphert has been recommended to fill the unexpired term that has been created by the retirement of Father Walt Jenne. Mayor Hruby said Dr. Cyphert submitted an application and the administration is pleased with the qualifications and background provided. Mayor Hruby said Dr. Cyphert has been an oral surgeon for 43 years, is very involved with the elderly and has lived in Brecksville for 29 years.

- Motion by Koepke, seconded by Redinger, to recommend to Council approval of a Resolution confirming the appointment of Dr. Cyphert to fill the unexpired term of Father Walt Jenne on the Human Services Advisory Board. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Human Services Advisory Board Appointment: Councilmember Koepke said Arlene Sierlega has been recommended to fill the vacancy on the Human Services Advisory Board that was left when Mr. Rittman moved from Brecksville. Mayor Hruby said Ms. Sierlega has been a very active member and volunteer in the Human Services Department for over 15 years. Mr. Sierlega drives for the meals on wheels program. Arlene Sierlega has worked with Human Services Director Dr. Paciorek and is very familiar with the Human Services Department.

- Motion by Koepke, seconded by Caruso, to recommend to Council approval of a Resolution confirming the appointment of Arlene Sierlega to fill the unexpired term of William Rittman on the Human Services Advisory Board. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Board of Zoning Appeals Appointment: Councilmember Koepke said Tom Collin has been recommended to fill the unexpired term left by the appointment of Daryl Kingston to City Council. Council President Harwood said Mr. Collin is in the audience this evening. Although Mr. Collin did not win a seat on Council in the last election, Mr. Collin has attended every Council and Committee meeting since then. Council President Harwood said Mr. Collin has also been in attendance at planning meetings. Council President Harwood said he received an e-mail question on how the decisions for appointments were made. Council President Harwood said individuals continue to attend and want to participate in the City, has the background and professional career that can help the Board of Zoning, it is commendable. Council President Harwood said Mr. Collin was the only applicant that has been in attendance and that is greatly appreciated.

- Motion by Koepke, seconded by Redinger, to recommend to Council approval of a Resolution confirming the appointment by the Council of Thomas Collin to the Board of Zoning Appeals to fill the unexpired term of Daryl Kingston. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Telecommunications Appointment: Councilmember Koepke said Michael Berlin has been recommended to the Telecommunications Commission. Hearing no comments or questions, Councilmember Koepke continued with a motion.

- Motion by Koepke, seconded by Caruso, to recommend to Council approval of a Resolution confirming the appointment by the Council of Michael Berlin to the Telecommunications Commission to fill the unexpired term of James Steiger. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Council President Harwood said an e-mail was received from a resident that felt her submission was not taken as importantly as others since her resume was posted on a professional webpage. Councilmember Harwood said several Councilmembers use the website and other members of Council read her resume as well. Council President Harwood said, for the record, the statement that no one read her resume is false.

Councilmember Redinger asked if the Sign Ordinance discussion and legislation would be on the agenda soon. Councilmember Koepke said she hopes to have the discussion on an upcoming meeting, there will be a lot to discuss.

Adjournment: Motion by Koepke, seconded by Caruso, to adjourn the Legislation Committee meeting at 6:29 P.M. Ayes: Caruso, Redinger, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Safety-Service Committee

Chairperson- Dominic Caruso

Committee members- D. Kingston, K. Veras.

Chairperson Caruso called the meeting to order at 6:29 P.M.

Roll Call – Present: Kingston, Veras, Caruso.

Absent: None.

August 18, 2020 Safety-Service Committee Minutes: Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to approve the August 18, 2020 Safety-Service Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Caruso. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

September 1, 2020 Legislation Committee Minutes: Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to approve the September 1, 2020 Safety-Service Committee meeting minutes as submitted Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Caruso. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Taser Cartridges: Councilmember Caruso said the Police Department has requested the purchase of Taser Cartridges for the Police Department. Police Chief Goodrich said the cartridges are needed for training and mandatory annual recertification for (26) officers that carry the Taser X2. Police Chief Goodrich said (30) Officers are certified to carry, (4) are trainers and have already been certified through the annual training process.

- Motion by Caruso, seconded by Kingston, to recommend to Council approval of a Purchase Requisition to sole vendor Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the aggregate amount of \$3,549.15 for the purchase of Taser Cartridges. *Account #110210 2501. Account #110210 2501.* Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Caruso. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Kawasaki Mule Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) and Equipment: Councilmember Caruso said the Fire Department is requesting the purchase of a Kawasaki Mule UTV. Fire Chief Zamiska said this purchase has been reviewed and contemplated for the last three years. The item was included in the department's budget and the cost came in \$6,000 less than expected. Fire Chief Zamiska said the vehicle will allow for rescue events in small off road locations that cannot be accessed by other full sized vehicles. Mutual aid has been used from Brooklyn Heights or Valley Fire District when a vehicle is needed off trail. Two recent incidents in the park are when this type of vehicle is needed. It will be used to extract an injured person or get to places where an ambulance or fire truck cannot. The vehicle is outfitted with a 60 gallon fire pump, and an EMS stretcher unit which is inserted in the back and a space for an attendant where care is given when a patient is taken to where an ambulance is staged. Fire Chief Zamiska said another example is when the City had a vehicular accident on the Turnpike. Emergency personnel could only access the scene by walking or with small vehicles, ambulances were staged at the toll plaza. The vehicles primary use would

be for transport of patients from inaccessible areas.

- Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to recommend to Council approval of a Purchase Requisition to Rick Roush Motor Sports for the purchase of a Kawasaki Mule Utility Terrain Vehicle for the Brecksville Fire Department in the aggregate amount of \$23,761.24. *Account #C450260 3300* . Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Caruso. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.
- Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to recommend to Council approval of a Blanket Vendor Purchase Requisition to multiple vendors for the purchase of a Fire Pump Mount, Medical Transport Slide-In Mount, 18' Towing Trailer and Emergency Lighting & Siren for the new Utility Terrain Vehicle for the Brecksville Fire Department in the aggregate amount of \$12,578.73. *Account #C450260 3300*. Kingston, Veras, Caruso. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays

Fire Hose Testing Unit: Councilmember Caruso said the Fire Department is requesting approval to purchase a fire hose testing unit. Fire Chief Zamiska said this unit will allow testing of Fire Hoses in a safe manner without taking a vehicle out of service. The current unit used by the department is approximately (30) years old and is no longer serviceable. Fire Hose testing is required annually. Councilmember Caruso asked where the funding is coming from. Fire Chief Zamiska said the funds are through the Fire Department's EMS Billing Fund.

- Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to recommend to Council approval of a Purchase Requisition to Finley Fire Equipment in the amount of \$5,165.00 for a Niedner Fire Hose Testing Unit for the Brecksville Fire Department. *Account #C450260 3300*. Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Caruso..Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Adjournment: Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to adjourn the Safety-Service Committee meeting at 6:36 P.M. Ayes: Caruso, Kingston, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee

Chairperson Lou Carouse

Committee members D. Kingston, K. Veras.

Chairperson Carouse called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M.

Roll Call – Present: Carouse, Kingston, Veras.

Absent: None.

August 18, 2020 Streets & Sidewalks Committee Minutes: Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to approve the August 18, 2020 Streets & Sidewalks Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Carouse. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

September 1, 2020 Streets & Sidewalks Committee Minutes: Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to approve the September 1, 2020 Streets & Sidewalks Committee meeting minutes as submitted Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Carouse. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

SR 82 Widening Project Update: Engineer Wise said the contractor responsible for the SR 82 widening project has reported the final asphalt and driveway aprons will be completed this year. Sidewalks and restoration will complete the project in the spring of 2021.

Service Director Weidig reported the road program is going well and road striping is being done.

Adjournment: Motion by Carouse, seconded by Kingston, to adjourn the Streets and Sidewalks Committee meeting 6:39 P.M. Ayes: Kingston, Veras, Carouse. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Utilities Committee

Chairperson Daryl Kingston.

Committee members L. Carouse, A. Koepke.

Chairperson Kingston called the meeting to order at 6:39 P.M.

Roll Call – Present: Kingston, Carouse, Koepke.

Absent: None.

August 18, 2020 Utilities Committee Minutes: Motion by Kingston, seconded by Carouse, to approve the August 18, 2020 Utilities Committee meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes: Kingston, Carouse, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

September 1, 2020 Utilities Committee Minutes: Motion by Caruso, seconded by Veras, to approve the September 1, 2020 Utilities Committee meeting minutes as submitted Ayes: Kingston, Carouse, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Easement Extinguishment for VA Easement & J. Harvey Crow Property: Councilmember Kingston said two easements need to be extinguished on the former VA Property and the Crow Property. Engineer Wise said there are two easements on the properties located on the former Crow Property. Engineer Wise said the easements were taken for sanitary sewers which were never installed. Sherwin-Williams has asked that these easements be removed so as not to interfere with any future development.

Easement Extinguishment for VA Easement:

- Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to recommend to Council extinguishment of a sanitary sewer easement that is no longer needed for municipal purposes on the former VA Property. Ayes: Kingston, Carouse, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Easement Extinguishment J. Harvey Crow Property:

- Motion by Kingston, seconded by Koepke, to recommend to Council extinguishment of a sanitary sewer easement that is no longer needed for municipal purposes on the former J. Harvey Crow property. Ayes: Kingston, Carouse, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Engineer Report: Council President Harwood said the City experienced a rain event and asked the Engineer for an update. Engineer Wise said on Labor Day the City experienced a significant rain event. In a (24) hour period 4.39 inches of rain fell and 4.17 inches of that amount fell in a six hour period. The city did experience flooding. Engineer Wise, Mayor Hruby, Service Director Weidig, Police and Fire Department personnel were all doing their part to provide safety for the residents during the flooding. Engineer Wise said he was out during the rain and said the Riverview, Weise and Greenhaven area was the worst he has seen in that area. The Chippewa Creek did overflow which caused approximately a foot of flooding on Mill Road and the Winding Creek Condominiums. Engineer Wise said he met with NEORSD and the National Park to review possible improvements. NEORSD will hire a consultant to do an advanced study for various options. The options will then be presented to the National Park for a possible solution to reduce the flooding. Glen Forest is a contributor to the Greenhaven area, which was hit hard by the rain and runoff. Engineer Wise said the Service Department had cleared the catch basins in Cambridge Village and they were working properly when he arrived on site during the storm event. Mayor Hruby said this was an unusual amount of rain that fell in a short amount of time. Mayor Hruby said he received many comments and pictures from residents with ponding and water running through their properties. Mayor Hruby said if you go back in history, if a storm like this occurred, the City may have had 100 homes with basement flooding, especially in the Chippewa area and Cambridge Village. Over the years City Council has worked to alleviate the flooding. The Service Department is proactive in cleaning catch basins and preparing for storms. Mayor Hruby said the area of Riverview and the park entrance held quite a bit of water. The area of Riverview, Weise and Greenhaven are critical and always close when heavy rains take place. Mayor Hruby said the results over the last few years can be attributed to the Engineer, Service Department and City Council dedicating the funding to the projects. The damage was not what it would have been without the work done by the City. The yard waste program is helping to collect waste that may otherwise be dumped or left to fall into local waterways.

Councilmember Redinger asked if the NEORSD has provided a timetable. Engineer Wise said no timetable was given.

Adjournment: Motion by Kingston, seconded by Carouse, to adjourn the Utilities Committee meeting at 6:55 P.M. Ayes: Carouse, Kingston, Koepke. Nays: None. Motion carried 3-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Committee of the Whole Meeting: Motion by Harwood, seconded by Carouse, to convene a Committee of the Whole meeting at 6:55 P.M. Ayes: Carouse, Caruso, Harwood, Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 7-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Committee of the Whole Meeting Adjourned: Motion by Harwood, seconded by Carouse to adjourn the Committee of the Whole at 7:0 P.M. Ayes: Carouse, Caruso, Harwood, Kingston, Koepke, Redinger, Veras. Nays: None. Motion carried 7-Ayes, 0-Nays.

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cc: Members of Council,
 Mayor Jerry N. Hruby,
 Law Director D. Matty,
 Asst. Law Director
 S. DiGeronimo,
 Engineer G. Wise,
 Department Heads