

## **Amberley Village Council – Streets, Public Utilities, and Sewer Committee Minutes of February 1, 2017**

In Attendance: R. Warren (Chair), R. Bardach (Member), E. Hattenbach (Member), T. Muething, S. Lahrmer, W. Brown, R. Monahan, W. Doering, and C. Driscoll.

The meeting was brought to order.

The minutes from the Dec 5, 2016 meeting were distributed. Noted was a change made to the paragraph associated with **Elbrook/Section Road Sidewalk and Street Lighting**, next to last line, should read ‘ cars stopped for a red light...’. The minutes were accepted.

The agenda items included (1) reviewing the 2017 Storm Water Program, (2) Reviewing the new fee arrangements with CT Consultants, and (3) Reviewing the Village Mowing Contracts for 2017.

**2017 Storm Water Program:** This program was first reviewed by the Storm Water Advisory Committee on Jan 31, 2017 and accepted the proposed plan (see attachment). Mr. Brown presented the work plan to the Committee. The anticipated budget for 2017 is approximately \$260,000. These funds are primarily derived from our storm water fee collection. Three major projects are being planned that include (1) replacement of pipe and installation of pipe liners in the area of 2470 Section Road, (2) installation of pipe liners and regrading the swale in the area of 3260 Fair Haven Lane, and (3) installation of a pipe liner in the area of 3300 Fair Haven Lane. Additionally work is to be completed at the Section Rd/Farmacres Dr intersection. That work was delayed due to unanticipated pipe erosion issues on the north side of Section Rd. and was amplified by the Cincinnati Water line burst several weeks ago. Other work includes the final phase of storm water pipe televising. The program which started 3 years ago is an excellent preventive maintenance procedure that allows us to diagnose the state of our storm water pipe system and, if necessary intervene immediately or plan for intervention. With completion of this phase we anticipate returning to this procedure in about 10 years. The program also includes Maintenance Dept repair projects and annual charges from the Hamilton County Storm Water District. There were no votes on actual appropriations at this time. Mr. Hattenbach moved to accept the storm water proposal, Mr. Bardach seconded the motion, and the Committee voted 3-0 to accept the proposal.

**CT Consultants:** With a new calendar year comes a new contract with CT Consultants, our engineering consultants for the Village. Mr. Lahrmer shared the CT proposal with the Committee. CT proposed to continue their services at a slightly adjusted rate increase of 0-3%, depending on the type of service (see attachment). Mr. Hattenbach moved to accept the proposed rate schedule provided by CT consultants, Mr. Bardach seconded the motion, and the motion carried 3-0.

**2017 Village Mowing Contract:** Mr. Brown solicited and received quotes from the same three companies that provided services to the Village last year, with no change in rates (see attached). Quotes were submitted to do the same work. Not only was there no change in rates for the upcoming mowing season, but a renewable option for 2018 was also obtained

at the same rate.

(1) It was recommended that the Amberley Green contract be awarded to EMES Lawn Care. This includes (a) the 'inner property' that generally covers the former fairways (generally cut every 10 days), (b) the 'outer property' that includes the building areas, garden, etc. (generally cut weekly), and (c) the meadowlands (bush hogging once a season). Based on the 2016 experience we anticipate the cost to be approximately \$37,000.

(2) It was recommended that the North Site and Village Right of Ways contract be awarded to Fredericks Landscaping. Based on the 2016 experience we anticipate the cost to be approximately \$21,000.

(3) It was recommended that the Municipal Bldg and Grounds (ball fields, around Tennis Court) contract be awarded to Grateful Growers. Based on the 2016 experience we anticipate the cost to be approximately \$10,000.

The proposal before the Committee was to accept the contract from each vendor on a per cut basis. Mr. Bardach moved to accept the proposed contracts, Mr. Warren seconded, and the motion carried 2-0 (Due to a potential conflict of interest, Mr. Hattenbach recused himself.)

There be no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ray Warren