Waterville Estates Village District

Water and Roads Committee Minutes – May 3, 2024

The Water and Roads Committee was called to order at 09:01 hours on May 3, 2024. Present were Stan Bujalski, Anthony Patti, Ron Beard, Allison Smith, Scott Monroe, and Gerry Panuczak. Guests included Harry Bertino and Marilyn Showstack. Joining on Zoom was Nick Sceggell.

Mr. Panuczak presented the draft minutes for the April 5, 2024 meeting. Mr. Bujalski motioned to approve minutes as presented. Mr. Monroe seconded the motion. All committee members present voted affirmative.

Mr. Sceddell provided and update of the Master Plan. He shared the pre-application that he is working on to apply for possible SRF grants and loans. The pre-application is due May 30, 2024. The committee discussed answers to the pre-application questions. Mr. Sceddell will further develop the pre-application, and the committee will meet on May 30, 2024 at 09:00 to review the pre-application one more time prior to submission. Mr. Sceddell will send the current Asset Plan for committee review and comment.

There was a discussion regarding the presence of lead found at two private residence. There is no known presence of lead within the District water system but this positive test will require additional chemical treatment. That chemical addition will also help control Ph allowing for the air blower system to shut down.

Mr. Beard mentioned that DES has informed him of a new Federal EPA requirement for public water supplies to identify the type of piping material installed within their system and that will require investigation by WEVD to inspect some of our installations.

Mr. Beard shared updates on current water projects. The Richardson Trail pit work is complete. The District is waiting on a quote from a fence vendor for the Ski Bowl tank fence. The approved Liberty Lane well #2 cleaning is being scheduled. The well will be out of service for four days while the work is being completed.

Mr. Beard shared that the excavator approved at the Annual Meeting has been delivered on May 2, 2024. Staff will be trained on proper operation. Staff will also be trained on OSHA safety standards regarding trenching.

Mr. Beard is getting three quotes for the completion of the Pegwood project.

Mr. Beard is waiting for a response from HEB regarding a twenty year roads plan.

Mr. Beard reported that Bell Valley to Richardson will be paved this season, and ditching of existing drainages across the District is being completed. Mr. Monroe stated that any road paving should take into account water infrastructure prior to completion.

Mr. Monroe shared that the District should have a policy on project thresholds that would require multiple bids. Mr. Beard offered to have such policy drafted, and present it to the Committee.

Public Comment – Mr. Bertino stated that if an occupant survey is completed with the completion of the SRF application, that survey could possibly replace using tax cards in the Water Ordinance. Mr. Bertino asked that the water billing cycle should coincide with the Fiscal year. Mr. Panuczak offered Ms. Smith as a contact point for Mr. Bertino to better understand the billing cycle as it currently exists. Mr. Bertino stated that due to the existence of HOA's, any changes in water delivery infrastructure should include legal involvement to insure no ownership rights are violated.

The next meeting was scheduled for May 30, 2024 at 09:00 hours.

The Water and Roads Committee meeting was concluded at 10:23 hours on May 3, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted

Gerry Panuczak