

A special water informational meeting of the Village of Newport – September 22, 2014

The village of Newport special water informational meeting was called to order on September 22, 2014 @ 7:00PM by Mayor Hennings with the following members present:

Mayor – Ashley Hennings
Trustee – Steven Woods
Trustee – Heidi Worden

Tricia Foster (clerk), Michele Weakley (treasurer), Barb Curran (historian), John Gorinshek, Tammy Gorinshek, Ashleigh Gorinshek, George Fischer, Gail Fischer, Linda Hennings, Michal woods (water superintendent), Jack Dodson(Dodson & Asso.)
Reordered by Gail Fischer

Pledge of Allegiance

Jack Dodson – Water project update:

Mayor Hennings referred to Jack Dodson, project engineer for the water project update.

Jack Dodson stated that the project was close to the end, approximately 95% complete.

Contract #1 - V&B Utilities, close to complete. All major pipeline has been installed, pressure tested, received the bacteria testing back, bacteria tested as negative. Details provided.

Contract #2 - Stephen Miller - Roof is on, there are still a few items that need to be finished as well as paint as the final step after the electricians have completed their work. Details provided.

Contract #3 - Spencer Electric - Began work 2 weeks ago. Approximately 80% complete, have been working around and with Stephan Miller on the chlorination house. Waiting on notice and details from National Grid to set up date to provide power to Chlorination building. Dodson and Associates has been in constant contact with National Grid.

Contract #4 - Jersen Construction - The tank was completed in July, substantial completion once tank is filled.

The next steps will be to get National Grid on site to provide power, fill storage tank, once both are complete, the new system will go on line - Hope is for the end of October or beginning of November. All four contracts are on schedule to come in under budget.

Discussion took place regarding fire hydrants, (All hydrants for fire use will be red, there will be other hydrants (black) that will not be used to fight fires,) site restoration was requested to be completed during project but since we are at end of growing season may have to be completed at the end of fall (final payments will be held until final restoration is complete), savings from National Grid due to using current underground service as opposed to bringing it in from the roadway.

Discussion took place regarding East Street drainage plan. Hope to complete East street between School and Mechanic as first phase, and continue along East street in time as money and time allows. Funding may be available and phasing may allow for continued funding from grants.

Mayor Hennings mentioned that Dioxin testing had been done in 1995 and the Village of Newport tested negative, we recently retested in August 2014 and received negative results for Dioxin testing.

George Fisher said he and his wife would allow the village to install water meter in their house. Mike Woods will contact them to set up an appointment to install the meter with Herm. Jack reiterated the importance of metering water and thanked them for their cooperation. George stated although he is allowing the meter, he is not agreeing to pay for the water due to an old agreement. Mayor Hennings said that the billing and payment for water was a discussion for another time.

7:34 Motion to close meeting by Mayor Hennings, seconded by Trustee Worden.

Respectfully submitted,
Tricia L Foster
Village Clerk