

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 28, 2002

Immediately following Previous Committees or

7:30 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Service Committee

L. Nicholas Hogan, Chair

Karen J. Angelou

Debra A. Payne

Michael O'Brien, ex officio

Roland P. Hall, ex officio

Karl Wetherholt, ex officio

Members Present: Debra A. Payne, Karen J. Angelou and L. Nicholas Hogan

PENDING LEGISLATION:

ORD-0024-2002

TO ACCEPT SANITARY SEWER, IMPROVEMENT NO. 740; AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, THE TRIANGLE WEST SANITARY SEWER, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Recommended for Adoption, Consent

ORD-0025-2002

TO ACCEPT SANITARY SEWER, IMPROVEMENT NO. 763, AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, THE SHAGBARK SANITARY SEWER; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Recommended for Adoption, Consent

ORD-0026-2002

TO ACCEPT SANITARY SEWER, IMPROVEMENT NO. 790, AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, THE CAMERON RIDGE SANITARY SEWER; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Recommended for Adoption, Consent

ISSUES - From Director of Public Service:

Oklahoma Underground Fuel Site Closure

Col. Hall asked that to waive the bidding process and award closure of the Oklahoma Ave. fuel tank removal to TriCar Ltd. BUSTR, the Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations, created new rules in 1999 and changed the required corrective actions on clean up of fuel tank sites. We have the option of closing this site under the old or new rules. Our consultant, TriCar Ltd., has recommended that we proceed under the new or current regulations and they prepared a proposal; total cost estimated at \$15,300; funding has been appropriated in Service Complex, Capital. Since we know the quality of TriCar's work and to maintain continuity, Hall said he is requesting that we waive the bidding process and award contract to TriCar Ltd.

Recommendation: 1st Reading Consent, no need to come back to committee; second reading consent.

Garage - Parts Employee

Col. Hall said we really need another Mechanic, not a parts person; mechanic to be assigned duties of parts person, but trained as a mechanic when the need arises. Kring said the recommendation from Benetec was that we needed a parts person, but to fit in and get the job done he needs a mechanic and to have everyone cross trained; now each person works on certain vehicles but are trained to work on all of them; need that flexibility. He would like to hire a Mechanic I and then promote him to a Mechanic II position after his six months probationary period person is qualified to be a Mechanic II. If we have to advertise and test for Mechanic II it will take at least 3 months; need the person now; internally lateral Mechanic II to do the parts job; person is already familiar with job; much better than bringing someone in off the street.

Angelou asked how many Mechanic I's, II's and III's there currently are. Kring said that the Mechanic III position is the former foreman position; he has one Mechanic I, two Mechanic II's, and one Mechanic III. Hogan said you want to move a mechanic to parts

person and then hire a Mechanic I. Kring said yes, the mechanic he wants move is a Mifflin Township employee assigned to work with him. Angelou asked if we can do that; can we laterally move a Mifflin Township employee? She continued that her husband is over the Service Department of the township and he has heard nothing about this; should contact Mifflin and find out if this okay with them before we do anything else; contact Service Director McKnight. There was discussion about pay ranges for Mechanic I and Mechanic II and how much of an increase it would be for a person to go from the Mechanic I P (probationary) step to Mechanic II A in six months. Angelou questioned moving a person to a new classification in 6 months; is that the normal process? Kring said that it is not, and continued that his goal is to have all Mechanic II's. When we hired Ralph Swartz last year we were only allowed to hire a Mechanic I and that is what we tested for and have a current eligibility list for. With discussion on the difference in pay from a Mechanic I P step to a Mechanic II A step continuing and becoming more confusing, Angelou and Hogan suggested that this matter be taken to Finance Committee tonight. Col. Hall asked for a waiver of second and emergency language so he can hire right away.

Recommendation: Refer to Finance Committee this evening.

ISSUES - From City Engineer:

Tech Center Drive, S. Hamilton & Morrison - Imp. #762, 770 & 771

Wetherholt said this is an ongoing project with funding being spread out over seven years; need this legislation to extend the scope of the existing contract with EMH&T, and to authorize the expenditure of \$75,000 which was appropriated to Capital Projects, Engineering.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; 2nd Reading Consent; no need to come back to Committee.

College Park & Heritage Sanitary Sewer Remediation, Imp. No. 781

Wetherholt said that \$182,000 was appropriated to Capital Projects, Sanitary Sewer, to do the engineering work for the remediation plan for College Park and Heritage; need to move on this; proposal broken down into four areas; manhole inspection; flow monitor, smoke test and dye test; need ordinance to authorize the Mayor to enter into contract with Burgess & Niple.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; 2nd Reading, Consent; no need to come back to committee.

Morse Road/US62 Intersection, Imp. #753

Wetherholt said this project is in multiple jurisdictions; ODOT portion is the bridge on the north leg of the intersection of US 62 and Rocky Fork Creek. ODOT is willing to assign the bridge project and its funding to the Local Public Agency, (LPA) which is Gahanna. ODOT is not interested in improving the intersection and consider that part to be local jurisdiction; we would actually be in charge and they would pay us for the bridge work. The Gahanna portion will be 1.5 million dollars, and we will be applying for Issue II grants. Wetherholt said he is requesting legislation to authorize the Mayor to sign LPA agreement with ODOT.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent; 2nd Reading Consent; no need to come back to committee.

Bedford Landfill, Imp. #805

Wetherholt said they met with consultants on January 17 to discuss the newly issued state grant criteria; Bedford does not fit the criteria. It would be best if we aim for September and the next round of the Clean Ohio mission for application; do not need any action at this time; just keeping Council informed.

MONITOR:

2001-0012

Monitor Items:

- 1) Morse 62 Interim Improvement
- 2) Dunbarton Road Sewer

Donna Jernigan, CMC/AAE, Deputy Clerk of Council