

Citizens Water and Sewer Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Council Conference Room

May 15, 2023

1. Meeting Called to Order – The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:05 p.m.

2. Present at Meeting:

Samuel Robinson, Vice Chair, Tanner Banks, Lisa Jeter, Chair, Yog Singhal.

Appointment – Michael Mullen was sworn in as a new member of the board.

3. Approval of Minutes – The minutes from March 20, 2023, were unanimously approved.

4. Customer Comments – There were no customer comments at the time of the meeting.

5. Staff Report:

Broad Reach – Most of the buildings are currently being constructed. Water and sewer taps have been issued for all buildings.

Old Troy Pike Widening – This is a continuation of the widening project in front of Starbucks, north to I-70. There will be two extra sewer connections with this project. Construction should begin in approximately two months.

Chambersburg Road West – Chambersburg Road from Old Troy Pike to Endicott will be widened and new sanitary sewer and water main extensions will be placed.

New Well – A new well will be installed near the water treatment plant on Rip Rap Road. The City purchased land for future well placement.

The Gables – New condo development on Brandt Pike in the north part of the city.

Carriage Trails Annexation – This proposed annexation would include 1200 more single family homes. It is possible that the utilities for this would come from Miami County.

Heathermere Woods – This development is on Bellefontaine Road in front of Heathermere Woods and consists of condominiums/townhomes.

Sanitary Sewer Lining – The lining project will begin in approximately 3 weeks.

Emeraldgate – The Emeraldgate water tower will be re-painted in approximately 2 months.

Water Integrity Study – This has been completed and is on the City's website.

2022 Water Main Replacement:

Hubbard/Harshmanville – In process
Holbrook/Helwig – Finished
Cruxten- Upcoming
Other End of Hubbard – Upcoming

All sections of the 2022 Water Main Replacement project should be completed in August.

2023 Water Main Replacement Project – Will begin in October.

East Water Main and East Sanitary Sewer – Utilities will be run to the East side of the city that is currently being serviced by Clark County. This will help open up the area for further development. This has been approved by City Council.

Group Discussion:

- There was an article in the paper about the City possibly increasing the water rates. This has been a discussion at several Council meetings, but no decision has been made. The increase would be put in place to offset the cost of increasing water main replacement.
- The renewal levy did not pass. As of now, there is no impact on water and sewer. This will go back on the ballot in November.

6. Veolia Water Report:

- Any new water meters that are being ordered now are not coming in until 2024. This means customers' bills will be estimated if their meter is not working, until a new one comes in.
- Gary from Veolia was present at the meeting to set up a tour of the water treatment plant. The tour was set for Monday, June 5 at 6 p.m.
- Skid #1 has been replaced and Skid #4 is in the process of being fixed.
- Well #6 will have some preventative work done to help it function at full capacity.

7. Old Business:

- The Veolia Annual Report will be presented to City Council at the June 12 Work Session.
- The board has a presentation to City Council that is scheduled for the August 8 Work Session. Staff will send out a summary of the duties of the board. The board will follow up with this at the next meeting.
- Diversity training – Staff is still working on a plan for members that missed the training.

8. New Business – There is no new business.**9. Upcoming Meeting – Monday, July 17, 2023, at 6: p.m. in the Council Conference Room.****10. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:32 p.m.**