

Village of Balsam Lake

Sewer/Water/M&E Committee

Monday, November 27th 2023

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Len Manning at 5:30 p.m.

Members present on roll call: Len Manning, Jamey Flaherty, Kellie Flaherty

Others present: David Patterson, Jena Paquette, Jim Duncan, Aimee Newbauer, Jeff Nussbaum, Zach Johnston, Shawn Mulhern

No public comments.

Discussion and possible action regarding easements for future Water Treatment Plant. Jeff Nussbaum from SEH was in attendance via Microsoft Teams. Jeff Nussbaum presented maps to the committee of the proposed placement of the raw water lines for the water treatment plant. Zach Johnston asked if the committee and engineers could consider putting in a culvert to assist with water mitigation. No concerns were heard from the committee regarding the request. Chair Len Manning stated, Jeff Nussbaum, Dave Patterson and Zach Johnston can coordinate an action plan. Jeff Nussbaum stated the next steps would be to confirm the locations with the property owners by marking where the easement would go on their property. From there SEH will draft easement documents.

Discussion and possible action on painting water tower. Shawn Mulhern with KLM Engineering was in attendance. Mr. Mulhern discussed the red water tower in Balsam Lake was erected in the 1940's and was last painted in 2009. The company that was hired to complete the project used a Temec paint that should have lasted up to 25 years. However, red is a color that fades faster than most colors. Mr. Mulhern stated there are three options to assist with the faded paint. The Village could power wash the water tower with an estimated cost range between \$8,000-\$15,000. The Village could do an overcoat with an estimated cost of \$50,000. Or the Village could sandblast the current paint off and repaint the water tower with an estimated cost being \$400,000.00 - \$500,000.00. A new water tower is estimated over 1 million dollars. No formal motion was made; however, the committee did request a bid for all three options for their next meeting.

Discussion and possible action for Village plow trucks. Dave Patterson reported on the current plow trucks and the need for attaining bids for a new truck. The wait time to get a new plow truck could take up to two years. No formal motion was made; however, the committee did communicate to Dave Patterson to attain bids for a new plow truck.

Discussion and possible action on decal for new truck. Dave Patterson stated his intent is to order a decal for the new truck that would be similar to the old truck. No motion was made, however, the committee agreed with David Patterson to keep the decals the same for the new truck.

Motion to adjourn by Jamey Flaherty. Seconded by Kellie. Carried. 6:04 p.m.

Amy VanDeBrake, Village Clerk Treasurer