



September 14, 2021 – Superintendent’s Report

ADMIN UPDATE:

At tonight's meeting, we will suspend the regular meeting in order to hold a required public hearing with respect to the disposal of the property at 7750 Oaklandon Road. It is our intent to have the Board approve a recommendation to the Mayor to approve the disposal of said property per Indiana Code 36-1-11-3, which allows the Mayor to designate the board to give notice, conduct a hearing, and notify him or her of its recommendation regarding disposal. The disposal is subject to his or her approval only after the public hearing. Following this recommendation, the Mayor will inform the Council, who will then need to approve the disposal. Upon receiving Council approval, the USB will then begin the actual bid process, publishing of required notification, acceptance of winning bid, negotiating purchase and concluding the sale. Our city attorney Kaitlin Voller and legal counsel from BT Law, Daniel Harting, will assist us with this process.

Approval is requested for Change Order #1 on the Maple/Zoeller/Wallingwood Water Main Replacement Project. CO #1 relates to the drainage portion of the project and provides for a decrease in the overall project cost of \$64,525. The change is a result of changing to metal end sections for drainage culverts, the elimination of an inlet structure and addition of two lengths of pipe in lieu of the structure as well as eliminating some surface restoration for two driveways no longer required due to these changes. The City's Stormwater Director has reviewed and approved the changes and we concur and recommend approval.

Approval is requested for Task Order 6 with ASI for \$20,000. This TO is for ASI to perform a downstream analysis to provide sanitary sewer service to a 75-acre parcel located at 62nd & Oaklandon Road. In simple terms, this means determining capacity downstream at one or more points in order to be able to handle the additional sewage flow without causing surcharging or other system performance problems. This analysis will provide potential developers with an acceptable discharge point or points when the parcel moves to development. We recommend approval of this TO #6.

Approval is requested for Change Order # 2 for the Carroll Road Water Main Extension Project for \$10,036.20. This CO was for the addition of 6 external bands to be installed around the three hydrants and pipe on the project that was requested by Utility staff, along with additional pipe quantities that were required by the shifting of the pipe alignment around the septic field that conflicted with the project. The external bands are concrete that was poured around the water pipe and hydrants to keep them in place and not allowing them to shift. We recommend approval of this CO.

We are close to finalizing the proposed Administrative Order of Consent with the EPA. We had another zoom meeting with them on 9.8.2021 to discuss remaining areas such as timelines for competing various aspects of the order and moving forward with the hydraulic modeling updating. We will provide the revised language to them per our discussion and they will get back to us within a few weeks. I expect that we will have some kind of a final order sometime in October.

A kick-off meeting was held for the Sewer Rate Study presently underway and information has started flowing to our financial consultant, Baker Tilly, to start reviewing the financial data in order to move this matter forward. We will provide more information as things develop.

Operational Data:

August Totals

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

- 26 Sanitary sewer lift station work orders completed.
- 5 Sanitary sewer grinder pump station work orders completed.
- 184 Sanitary sewer manhole inspections performed.
- 34,791 LF of sanitary sewer main cleaned.
- Cutting grass and trimming trees as needed at lift stations.

Water Distribution Underground Maintenance

- 1 Water main breaks repaired.
- 3 Water service line meter pits installed.
- 6 Water service line leaks repaired.
- Maintaining street & sidewalk cuts until final restorations can be made.
- 488 Fire hydrants inspected.
- 2 Water main valves turned.
- 1 Water main valve box repaired.
- 6 Water line leak investigations.
- 1 Plan review performed.
- 13 Inspections projects performed.

WATER PLANT/WELL ACTIVITY

Fort Harrison Water Treatment Plant

- Adjusted transducer for reservoir.
- Cutting grass as needed.
- Working with contractor as needed for the water plant renovation project.

Indian Lake Water Treatment Plant

- Performed a load test on the backup generator in well field.
- Calibrated chlorine analyzer.
- Made repairs to chlorine line piping.
- Cutting grass as needed.
- Checked Well pumping levels.
- Cleaned chlorine injection quill.

Richardt Water Treatment Plant

- Performed a load test on the backup generator.
- Cutting grass as needed.
- Repaired air vent for Well #4.
- Calibrated lab equipment as needed.

Winding Ridge Booster Station

- Cutting grass as needed.
- Performed a load test on the backup generator.

52nd Street Water tower

- Cutting grass as needed.

Oaklandon Water Tower

- Cutting grass as needed.

Misc.

- 51 Water distribution samples were collected and taken to an independent lab for testing.

- Minor repairs and preventative maintenance to mowing equipment.

BUSINESS OFFICE/SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Totals to be provided on September 28, 2021, report

- Active accounts.
- Work orders completed.

BILLING ADJUSTMENTS: None