



November 14, 2023 – Superintendent’s Report

ADMIN UPDATE:

The Controller and Utility Management are happy to present the 2024 Budget for your approval. By now you should have had ample time to review the budget packet and the Controller will make a presentation and we will answer any questions you may have. We do recommend that the Board adopt the Budget as well as the 2024 Salary Resolution.

The Utility is also seeking approval of a Resolution recommending to the Council that they approve the required ordinance and related documents so that we can secure the \$400,000 in grant funding available from the Indiana Finance Authority. As we have discussed, this funding will assist in completing the field work associated with the unfunded EPA mandate for Lead Service Line Inventory required under the new Lead and Copper rules. We do recommend approval of this resolution so we can get that to the Council. We would like to thank our attorney, Kaitlin Voller, Kurt Wanninger with Wessler Engineering, Councilors Wells and Denney and Council Attorney Kristina Wheeler for all the work, input and support in securing this funding, and also the Indiana Finance Authority, for making it available.

The Utility is recommending approval for Supplemental #1 to the agreement with VS Engineering, who are performing inspection services for the Brookside Park Water Main Replacement Project. This supplemental agreement for \$15,000 is to cover additional expenses related to the resurfacing of 46th Street, which was added to the Brookside Park water main project under Change Order 1, previously approved.

The Utility is adding an additional \$16,900 to the on-call engineering PO with Wessler Engineering to have them prepare a Utility Work Plan and associated tasks for the Indianapolis DPW Shadeland Avenue Drainage and Roadway Improvements Project. During plan review, it was discovered that there is a water main that is in conflict with their work and, because it is in their right of way, we are responsible for getting it relocated.

On the claims list for tonight’s meeting you will note that there are a couple of large claims. These claims are project related and are for:

1. Utility contribution for Franklin Road resurfacing project (associated with all the excavations we made as part of our water and sanitary sewer projects recently completed) - \$400,000
2. Pay Application 3 for the Fort Harrison Sewer Capacity Improvements Project - \$626,964.28

Operational Data: October Totals

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

- (58) Sanitary sewer lift station work-orders completed.
- (3) Sanitary sewer grinder pump work orders completed.
- (6) Sanitary sewer manholes repaired.
- (6) Sanitary sewer manholes inspected.
- (1) Sanitary sewer force main repair completed.
- (1) Sanitary sewer lateral connection repaired at the sewer main on t-wye.

- 5538 LF of sanitary sewer main cleaned.
- 6746.1 LF of sanitary sewer main CCTV'd.
- Mowing and trimming grass as needed.

Water Distribution Underground Maintenance

- (1) Water main repairs completed.
- (4) Water service line meter pits installed.
- (5) Water service line repairs completed.
- (1) Water main valve box repaired.
- (4) Contracted concrete restorations completed.
- (9) Yard restorations completed.
- Completed bi-annual water main flushing of the distribution system.
- (10) Water main valves exercised.
- (4) Water main shut outs performed.
- (3) Water main leak investigations performed.
- (21) Inspections for projects performed.
- Performed vehicle and equipment maintenance as needed.
- Maintained all street and sidewalk cuts until final restoration can be made.

WATER PLANT/WELL ACTIVITY

Fort Harrison Water Plant

- Replaced chlorine transfer pump at filter house.
- Received chemical deliveries.
- Replaced electrical receptacles at Well 9.
- Well readings collected.
- Generators inspected.
- Cleaned Well 8 and installed drain line.
- Mowing and trimming grass as needed.
- LionHeart diagnosed an issue with the backup generator at Well 10.

Indian Lake Water Plant

- Received chemical deliveries.
- Cleaned chemical injection quill.
- Well reading collected.
- Generators inspected.
- Berry Electric repaired condensation heater at Well 15.
- Cleaned Well House 14 and winterized.
- Mowing and trimming grass as needed.

Richardt Water Plant

- Received chemical deliveries.
- Generator inspected.
- Mowing and trimming grass as needed.
- Cleaned and greased mowers.
- Performed Treatment Plant shutdowns in coordination with UM crew for water main abandonments.

Winding Ridge Booster Station

- Performed facility safety inspections.
- Mowing and trimming grass as needed.
- Generator inspected.

52nd Street Tower

- Performed facility safety inspections.
- Mowing and trimming grass as needed.

Oaklandon Tower

- Performed facility safety inspections.
- Mowing and trimming grass as needed.

Water Quality Samples

- 50 water samples were taken from the distribution system and taken to an independent lab for testing.
- Fluoride samples collected and delivered to MCHD.

BILLING ADJUSTMENTS: None