



April 28, 2020 – Superintendent’s Report

ADMIN UPDATE:

The Utility Management is seeking approval of Change Order #4, the final CO on the Franklin Road Water Main Replacement Project. As you are aware, we have during the course of this project encountered several unknown issues that led to our incurring additional costs to complete the project. The majority of this final CO is for additional paving that was required due to having to make adjustments in excavation sizes (larger) in the field due to these various discoveries which led to more costs in cutting, hauling, and replacement. The approval of this CO will allow us to place Pay App #3, which is the final pay application along with the release of retainage, in the claims for approval for the May 12th meeting and will close out this project. This was the hardest part of the water main work that needs to be done on Franklin Road and we are certainly happy to see it finally done. Future portions of Franklin Road will not have traffic restriction issues on a par with what we saw on this section, which was complicated by the CSX crossing and the unusual alignments 46th Street and Franklin. We recommend approval of the CO.

The Utility Management, along with our project engineer, ASI, is recommending that the award of the Elmhurst Basin Sanitary Sewer Rehab Project go to Miller Pipeline as the lowest, most responsible and responsive bidder. The total contract price is \$1,263,989.90. The engineer’s estimate was \$1,250,000. The two low bids each had issues with bid documents missing or improperly executed. Letters regarding issues with these two other bids were included in your board packets and will also be included in the official minutes for this meeting. We would ask that the attached Notice Of Award be signed by Chairman Hall so we can issue to the contractor.

The Utility management has processed payment of Pay App #1 for the Brookhaven Water Main Replacement Project. This project has started in earnest now and the contractor, SC Case Excavating, is already excavating and placing new pipe.

The Utility Management will be proceeding with placing bid advertisements for our Phase II Water System Improvements Project on May 4 and again on May 11th. Bid opening will be done at the June 23rd meeting. Notice of Award should take place at the first meeting in July.

The Utility Management is working on laying out guidelines we will be following as we begin transitioning back to the “new normal” operational mode the week of May 4th. This transition will emphasize continued social distancing policies, utilizing personal protection such as masks and rubber gloves, continuing to minimize contact by utilizing on-line meeting platforms, routine disinfection of work areas, vehicles and shared equipment/tools as well as addressing Business Office and Customer Service work.

Operational Data:

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

- Performing routine maintenance and upkeep on lift stations and grinder pump stations.
- Respond to possible sewer back-ups as they are reported.

LOCATES/LEAK LOCATING/VALVE TURNING/HYDRANT MAINTENANCE/INSPECTIONS

- Performing routine inspections as needed on projects under way.
- Performing water main shutouts as needed for water main repairs.

- Performing water line leak investigations as needed.

WATER DISTRIBUTION

- Performing emergency water line repairs as needed.
- Performing emergency water service line repairs as needed.
- Installing water service line meter pits as needed.

WATER PLANT/WELL ACTIVITY

- Performing routine maintenance and daily routines to make sure water treatment plants are operating properly.

BUSINESS OFFICE/SERVICE DEPARTMENT

March Totals

- 14,942 Active accounts.
- (Do Not Have Total at this Time) Work orders completed.

BILLING ADJUSTMENTS:

11461 High Grass Dr. – customer is requesting an adjustment in the amount of \$2441.10 due to a spigot leak that has been repaired. We recommend approval

4620 Cotton St. – customer is requesting an adjustment in the amount of \$375.80 due to a service line leak that has been repaired. We recommend approval

12210 Laurelwood Ct. – customer is requesting an adjustment in the amount of \$318.07 due to a water softener dysfunction that has been repaired. We recommend approval

4524 Payton Ave. – customer is requesting an adjustment in the amount of \$299.19 due to a service line leak that has been repaired. We recommend approval.