

Village of Sheridan  
May 29, 2024  
Streets/Sewer Committee Meeting

The Streets/Sewer Committees held a meeting on the above date with the following members present: Heather Weber, Wendy Greenrod, Marlene Woodward, Mayor Wehner, Attorney Burton and Howard Hamilton. Judy Hinterlong was absent.

Attorney Burton began with the one-way alleyway behind Block 5 of the Original Town of Sheridan. This was brought up by the Building Inspector for review. Howard stated this could be done per Ordinance and installing signs, possibly adding No Parking-Loading Only signs. The proposed One-Way would run East to West. Signs would need to be ordered if approved and run by IDOT. Notices will be sent to all affected property owners regarding this. An ordinance will be proposed at the next board meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Attorney Burton brought up a farming access road at the end of Bushnell Street. Marlene Woodward showed photos of the heavy equipment going through and would like to see county road access reinstated for this equipment to travel on as opposed to village streets. Attorney Burton will reach out to the landowners to begin contact regarding farming access from the county road as opposed to coming in through the village streets. The village will incur costs on this.

Wendy Greenrod stated that the village has reached a settlement on the issues in the 800 block of W Si Johnson Avenue. She has spoken with the plumber who made repairs regarding the sewer backup in the home. She inquired on the removal of the check flow valve by the village and was informed that they would have to go in and take the grade out at the bottom. Wendy wondered if it would be alright if left as is. She stated the homeowner would be alright leaving it as is, which is currently inoperable. She asked if there was something in the agreement with the homeowner regarding filling in or leaving as is. Attorney Burton will confirm, or we can add an amendment to the agreement stating no further village liability on the manhole. He will review the signed agreement and possibly write an amendment out. Howard will also take a further look at the check valve on the property and report back his thoughts.

Wendy said that she would like to see an employee packet be given to new employees. The village does not have this. She has spoken with Cathy Grimwood regarding this, and they are looking into beginning one. Marlene brought a copy of the one her employer uses for theirs as an example. She feels by having employees sign for these, it would help in the future with issues that could arise. This would take some time to accomplish but will get working on this. Wendy will bring Marlene's example to Cathy for board copies.

Heather will begin a logbook for maintenance duties along with implementing a maintenance request form for the department. The work order would be completed by the maintenance department and form returned to Village Hall. Wendy mentioned recent issues with the village sewer line issues and learning of a manhole in the Veteran's Memorial. The contractor volunteered to train maintenance on the sewer jetter if needed. All felt this would be a good idea.

Mayor Wehner mentioned that if a seasonal employee were to become permanent, the village would need to retro pay IMRF for their portion of the retirement fund. Committee members had no issues with this. Wendy would still like to have someone for sewer work, paying out \$23.00 per hour.

Seasonal employees are currently making \$18.00 per hour. They would like to hire Josh Crose as a seasonal employee for now. Mayor Wehner will sign the temporary appointment so he can begin work.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Wendy Greenrod mentioned having a hard time getting anyone to return a call regarding using a camera on some of the sewer lines-beginning with the 800 block of W Si Johnson Avenue. She has tried several companies. She would also like Attorney Burton to reach out to Virginia Gaskin again regarding her sewer line.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Grimwood  
Village Clerk