

Village of Clinton
June 4, 2012

The meeting opened at 7:00pm.

Members present were President Mowery, Carl Habrick, Dianne Davis, Larry Sines, Bonnie Peters, and Doris Kemner. Joe Orban was absent.

Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Kemner to approve the checks written for the period ending May 31, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

There was a public comment about which Council members were planning on running for re-election for another term.

Public hearing opened at 7:12pm. The purpose of the hearing was to receive public comments on a proposed water rate increase to fund the construction of a new well. The preliminary estimates are that to fund the new well it will take a flat water service charge increase of \$3.00 per month for a residential customer.

The Village has a low iron supply of water that comes primary from well one. That well has been in operation for 36 years and is nearing the end of its useful life. Even though the Village periodically backwashed the aquifer, over time the constant flow of water to the well plugged the aquifer so water does not flow as easily to the well screen. In order to assure the community has a good supply of quality water the Village performed test wells and found a well location in Tate Park with preliminary water quality comparable to well one. The final water quality will not be known until the production well is installed and the draw down test is performed.

The preliminary cost projection is \$300,000 to construct the new well and connect it to the Village treatment and distribution system. Based on a twenty year bond at five percent interest the preliminary water rate increase, subject to final engineering projections and bond terms, are that it will cost a residential customer \$3.00 per month.

The public hearing closed at 7:18pm.

There will be a second council meeting this month on June 11, 2012 to discuss and award the bid for the construction of the well portion of the well five project.

Motion was made by Kemner and seconded by Habrick to adopt Resolution Number 2012-05. A resolution to thank Mr. George Service for his commitment to maintaining the Village's Department of Public Works for 44 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Peters to adopt Resolution Number 2012-06. A resolution to thank Mr. James Schuler for his commitment to maintaining the Village's Wastewater Treatment Plant for 23 years. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sines and seconded by Davis to adopt Resolution Number 2012-07. A resolution authorizing the loaning of funds from the Robinson Trust to the Water Fund for the well five improvements. Motion carried unanimously.

Council discussed the Veteran's Memorial Park draft master plan and possible grant funding.

Council was updated on the five year water tower inspection.

Council was supportive of the proposed plan to move some of the overhead electric service feeding parts of the north subdivision to underground to improve system reliability.

The Village is interviewing applicants for a new Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent. In the meantime the Village is using a contract service to help operate the plant until a new WWTP Superintendent is hired.

Motion was made by Kemner and seconded by Habrick to receive and file the council information packet. Motion carried unanimously.

The Village Manager reported that a soccer group would like to talk to council about updating the current soccer fields at Tate Park, the next scheduled council meeting will be July 9th, and updated Council on the fund balances.

The following comments were from Council. Dianne Davis suggested that the playground area at Tate Park be named after Mr. Robison and asked if there was an organization that removed the trees in the river. Carl Habrick would like bigger car spaces the next time they paint the lines in the downtown parking lots, reminded council the farmer market is this Saturday and that both softball and baseball play Saturday for the regionals. Bonnie Peters commented on how awesome the Memorial Day parade and ceremony were. Doris Kemner asked when Sunset and Kehoe Road will be redone, when will the banners for the downtown go up, two downtown street lights are out, asked what construction work was being done on US-12 by the bridge and there is a dip in the road by W. Franklin Street at Tecumseh Road.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Davis to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Toni Gibson, Village Clerk

Date