

Storm Drainage Committee
September 10, 2018

Ron Loy opened meeting at 5:02 pm.

Members Present: Ron Loy, Joe Bolser and Greg Hazel

Others Present: Mayor Smith, Pat Chamberlin, Terry Workman, Sherry Johnson, Jake McCoy, Loise Haynes, Jim Johnson, Janet Brotherton, Debra Sweat, Paula Hopkins, John Brotherton, Debra Sleight and Dale Sleight

Public Participation

Debra Sleight asked the Committee for help in cleaning up their home. She stated that the problem had been on-going for the past 20 years. There is black mold in both her house and her mother's house next door.

Debra Sweat asked about the dollar amount of funds collected from the Storm Drainage Tax. Pat Chamberlin, Comptroller, will provide that information to the committee, Trustees and Ms. Sweat.

Proposed Ordinance Change

Pat Chamberlain reviewed the proposed Ordinance Change. It currently states in Sec. 40-446 that any tax billable of more than \$50 be made in two installments. In Section 40-453 it authorized a fee of \$25.00 for liens placed on a property for non-payment of the tax. She is proposing that Sec. 40-446 be changed to read \$100 and Sec. 40-453 be changed to read \$40.00.

After Discussion Greg Hazel moved/Joe Bolser seconded to recommend these changes to the Village Board for action at the September 11 meeting.

Illinois Circle Area Drainage Study

The Village Board contracted with Burns & McDonnell in July to prepare a study of the Illinois Circle area to determine the drainage needs in that area. Greg Hazel gave a brief overview of the report. Northview School and the Illinois Circle subdivision were built in the 1950s. The storm drains do not meet today's standards. And based on the report, it is not possible to build the system up to today's standards.

The report has been shared with the city schools and the Village will give them time to review with their board. There are a few things the school could implement that would help with the drainage such as removing the downspouts from going directly into the tile and creating a rain garden.

One solution is to look at a detention pond both on the school property and on Illinois Circle. Three homes sit in the lowest area of the subdivision, 320, 324 and 328 Illinois Circle. Mrs. Sleight expressed their willingness to sell their home so the Village could have the property if needed. The first step would be for the Village to obtain appraisals on those properties.

After further discussion Greg Hazel moved/Joe Bolser seconded to recommend to the Village Board that appraisals be obtained for 320, 324 and 328 Illinois Circle. On a voice vote, motion approved. Greg Hazel stated there should be funds in the Public Works budget to pay for these appraisals. The committee will also see if CDBG funds can be used for demolition.

Grass and debris in sewers

Mr. Hazel said that residents need to be reminded not to blow grass into the streets when mowing their yards. The grass prevents water drainage.

Chairman Loy said he would contact the committee early in October after the City School Board had reviewed the report and the appraisals were received.

There being no other business before the committee, Joe Bolser moved/Greg Hazel seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Gray, MMC
Deputy Clerk