

MINUTES
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION
THURSDAY March 14, 2013
7:30 P.M.

Piqua City Commission met in a City Commission Work Session at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Government Complex Commission Chambers located at 201 W. Water Street. Mayor Fess called the meeting to order. Present were Commissioners Terry, Martin, and Vogt. Absent: Commissioner Wilson. Also present were: City Manager Gary Huff, Law Director Stacy Wall, Finance Director/Assistant City Manager Cynthia Holtzapple, Dave Burtner, Dave Davis, Todd Brandenburg, and Bob Yoxthimer of CDM..

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Terry, to excuse Commissioner Wilson from the March 14, 2013 City Commission Work Session. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Terry, Vogt and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Wastewater Treatment Plant – Future Plans - Discussion

Wastewater Superintendent Dave Davis provided a brief background on the current Wastewater treatment Plant. The last Master Plan was completed in 1986. Mr. Davis explained the reason to do the study and to complete a new Master Plan at this time.

Bob Yoxthimer of CDM Smith came forward and provided a slide presentation on the need for the Wastewater system improvements at this time. Originally it was all about the SSO and the aged facility, as the most recent additions/modifications are 20+ years old. In July of 2012 a Sanitary Sewer System Master Plan and a Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility Plan were submitted.

Mr. Yoxthimer provided information regarding what was needed to bring the City into compliance. Mr. Yoxthimer explained the Sanitary Sewer Master Plan Objectives; the Implementation Plan; the Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility Plan Objectives; Treatment/EQ Cost to Eliminate SSO; Liquid Treatment Alternatives; Biosolids Treatment Process Alternatives Wastewater Treatment Plant Cost Summary; Recommended Improvements; Funding/Financing Options; Permits & Approvals.

Finance Director/Assistant City Manager Cynthia Holtzapple explained the various funding options available to the City including State of Ohio funding options, and conventional revenue bonds.

Mr. Yoxthimer provided a copy of the schedule that was submitted to the Ohio EPA to keep them abreast of the plans the city has for bringing the Wastewater Treatment Plant up to date.

The next steps are to:

- Complete the pilot testing high-rate treatment (BioActiflo) Basis of Design Report
- Prepare WWTP Preliminary Engineering Report (PER)
- Submit Pilot Testing Basis of Design Report & PER to Ohio EPA for approval
- Assess impact on sewer rate
- Begin design

There was discussion concerning all of the information that was presented. Various questions were asked concerning the current SSO and the elimination of the SSO; the number of gallons of water the city provides; and the sale of water to other communities that would like to purchase water from the City of Piqua in the future. All questions were answered. Mayor Fess stated the presentation was a very comprehensive report and very informative and thanked Mr. Yoxthimer.

City Manager Huff stated he just wanted to bring the City Commissioners up to date on the progress of the Wastewater Treatment Plant project.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adjourn from the Piqua City Commission Work Session at 9:00 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Fess, Vogt, Martin, and Terry. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

LUCINDA L. FESS, MAYOR

PASSED: _____

ATTEST: _____
REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION