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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MEETING OF THE LORDSTOWN VILLAGE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
1455 Salt Springs Road, Lordstown, Ohio
December 11, 2018
4:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Kevin Campbell, President
Mr. Michael Sullivan, Vice-President
Mr. Thomas Dietz, Board Member
Mr. L. Bruce Platt, Supt. of Utilities
Ms. Cinthia Slusarczyk, Clerk
ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Arno Hill, Mayor
Mr. Darren Biggs, Utility Department
Ms. Kay Arlow
Ms. Donna Schrader
Mr. Travis Eastham

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS taken before me, DEBORAH LAVELLE, RPR, a court reporter and Notary Public within and for the State of Ohio on this 11th of December, 2018.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Call the meeting to order. Please stand with me for the Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

LORD'S PRAYER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Roll call please.
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Kevin Campbell.
MR. CAMPBELL: Here.
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Thomas Dietz.
MR. DIETZ: Here.
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Michael Sullivan.
MR. SULLIVAN: Here.
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Bruce Platt.
MR. PLATT: Here.
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Cinthia Slusarczyk, present. Chris Kogelnik.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll make a motion that we excuse Chris tonight. He had another conflicting meeting. He did send an e-mail out with some updates.

MR. SULLIVAN: Second.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MS. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Very good.

MR. SULLIVAN: So we get a deduction from CT?

APPROVAL AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES:

MR. CAMPBELL: Next item, Approval and Correction of

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Minutes. We have three sets of minutes, October 15, November 1 and November 20. Did you gentlemen get a chance to review those?

MR. DIETZ: I went through them.

MR. CAMPBELL: Any corrections or changes to any of them?

MR. SULLIVAN: I make a motion for the October 15th.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. I'll second. All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll make a motion for November 1, 2018.

MR. DIETZ: I'll second.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. DIETZ: I'll make a motion for the November 20th.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. I'll second that. All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: Again, thank you for the minutes, keeping them up to date.

CORRESPONDENCE:

MR. CAMPBELL: Cindy, any correspondence?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Just the e-mail that you have got from the engineer. You were all copied on that.

MR. CAMPBELL: I did print it in case you guys didn't get a chance to read it. We can cover it.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MR. CAMPBELL: Public Comments. We've got some public tonight. Did everybody sign in; do we have the sheet out?

MR. DIETZ: It's over there by the sisters.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. There it is. Did everybody get a chance to sign in? Okay.

MAYOR HILL: I've been asked by a lot of people -- everybody thinks that the Water Department answers to me, and I tell them they don't. They'd like to know where we're at with I&I. They'd like to know how many hydrants are out of order. I know we have one right in front of the Fire Department which has been out of order for a while. And they want to know if they are out of order, how soon they'll be running.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MAYOR HILL: And they also would like to know what the Board's going to do since General Motors is leaving, how the water rates are gonna be affected and if you had any discussion on that.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, this is our first meeting since then.

MR. CAMPBELL: This is the first meeting since that's been announced. That's one of the things on our agenda, some other

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things we can pursue to help offset that.

MAYOR HILL: And another thing which is brought up at every Council meeting, Bruce will back this up, is who can be on water accounts. And I've had a lot of residents in the past come up and, you know, Cindy by your rules will not accept a payment from somebody other than the person who's on the account. Right, Cindy?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That's not true. We accept a payment from anybody. We cannot give out the account amount to anybody that's not on the account. But a payment we accept from anybody.

MAYOR HILL: Okay. Well I've had people who have been upset with me and they all call me up. And I said Kevin, how many times have I had them call you up on this before.

MR. CAMPBELL: There's been some.

MAYOR HILL: But it's been brought up by Mrs. Jones at every Council meeting that she voted no on your last regulation which you passed there, which did get passed.

MR. CAMPBELL: Right, I appreciate that.

MAYOR HILL: But you know, these are just some of the things which are being brought up in the public.

MR. CAMPBELL: I understand.

MAYOR HILL: And I'm not here to argue with you guys but just to let you know I'm tired of getting beat up over it because I know I&I was an issue even when Mike was on Council years ago. And you know, people say well, where's the smoke meter they purchased and everything else. And you know, I tell them to come up to the meetings but nobody ever wants to come. So here I gotta be the heavy and the mouthpiece tonight, not that I want to, but that's where I'm at. So you guys know what's been rumbled out there in the general public.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MAYOR HILL: That's my comments. But if you can get some discussion or answers on some of those I'd greatly appreciate it so I can --

MR. CAMPBELL: Would you like a written response back to some of those things?

MAYOR HILL: Yeah. Yeah, you know, if you could so that way I can pass it on. Because you know, it's a variety of people.

MR. CAMPBELL: I know you captured them, all of them. You had quite a laundry list.

MR. DIETZ: When's your next letter going out?

MAYOR HILL: It's gonna go out tomorrow to the printer. Now how soon can you guys get something? I want it out before Christmas because it doesn't make sense to wish everybody a Happy Christmas or Merry Christmas if the letter is after Christmas.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, yeah, yeah. All right.

MAYOR HILL: If you could get it --

MR. CAMPBELL: If we could have something to you tomorrow morning you could get it in the newsletter then?

MAYOR HILL: If you get something by tomorrow noon to Denise upstairs we can get it in the newsletter. You know, she's the one who coordinates with Bill Pugh for the newsletter.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Did someone write down everything that --

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: I did. I have the fire hydrant, I&I and account holders.

MAYOR HILL: Yep.

MR. CAMPBELL: I thought there was something else.

MR. SULLIVAN: And what effect is G.M. gonna have on the water rates.

MAYOR HILL: Actually I think in talking, you know, with the Clerk you guys aren't really making it right now. Oh, and one other thing is -- which I know this comes up to Council. You know, Council sets the sewer rates. Right now we do have two different sewer districts.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep.

MAYOR HILL: And that can be easily resolved, but it has to come from somebody. It's not gonna come from me because I don't have any say so. But if you could somehow make a recommendation to Council to say your rates parallel the other side, that way you might be able -- I think your water department's going to be going broke here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Sewer cannot fund the water.

MAYOR HILL: Sewer can fund employees.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And we're charging 25 percent of the employees.

MR. CAMPBELL: We tried to balance some of that out between the work force.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: When I ran the figures between the water on the computer, it shows only 8 percent of the work is sewer. So we're charging a significant amount, 25 percent, of the employees' costs to sewer.

MR. SULLIVAN: And I don't know legally that we could just raise the west side.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The east side.

MR. SULLIVAN: The east side. That's about \$2 difference per 1,000.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: \$1.66 per thousand.

MR. SULLIVAN: How do we justify it, raising theirs? Well, we do it according to state law.

MAYOR HILL: What state law? Council sets the sewer rates, Mike.

MR. SULLIVAN: But they can't set them over where you're making a profit on them.

MAYOR HILL: But right now that's maybe something you may want to talk to the Solicitor about because I have had employees and Council members ask about that.

MR. SULLIVAN: And I talked to Dutton about it, and he said you can't do it; you're just raising their rates for no real reason other than you want it to match over there. Well, it's not their fault that the county charges more than we do.

MAYOR HILL: Well, we're covering a lot of I&I too. What's your I&I, 30 to 40 percent?

MR. SULLIVAN: At least.

MAYOR HILL: And you know, that's something which was supposed to be addressed years ago.

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MR. SULLIVAN: We address it every meeting.

MAYOR HILL: But to sit here and talk about it, what does anybody get done about it? It gets addressed, but what gets done about it?

MR. SULLIVAN: I agree with you, we need to get revenue wherever we can.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, all right. That's something, like you said, we can make recommendations to Council on some sewer suggestions. But ultimately it would be Council's decision.

MAYOR HILL: A lot of it is sewer for Council, a lot of it's people out there in the public who hear stuff from other people, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Well, we can put some figures and descriptions to some of the stuff you listed and we have something you can put in the newsletter so people can understand that. Any other questions or clarification from our side?

MR. PLATT: Well, I can address the fire hydrants that are out-of-service at this time. There's only one in the Village that's out-of-service, and unfortunately it's the one right there in front of the Fire Department. We're waiting on parts to repair that hydrant. We got all but -- we ordered six parts that were needed for it. The key piece that we need was back-ordered. We got parts in yesterday. We had them on order since before Halloween actually. And so we're still waiting on the one key piece to put that all together, you know. So as soon as that arrives why we'll have that, plus I ordered a couple extras so I've got those on the shelf. That particular hydrant, there's seven of them of that style in the Village, so it's one of our oldest ones there, so unfortunately the parts are real hard to come by, you know. And at some point in the future --

MR. CAMPBELL: We'll have to replace the whole thing.

MR. PLATT: That one needs replaced. However, it's not an easy job to do that because everything on that one is what's called a push-on fitting, which means the fire hydrant as you see it there's blocking behind it; and they pushed everything together with no mechanical pieces, meaning bolts and nuts and phalanges, to hold it all together. So if we remove the blocking from the fire hydrant, the valve that you have closed off, the watch valve on the other side of the road could push off of that valve, you know, and then the water main is, you know. So it's a very complicated repair. And it's really not a repair, it's a rebuild, you know, for that.

MAYOR HILL: Is there one out on Hewitt Gifford somewhere?

MR. PLATT: As of 2:00 this afternoon it's repaired. It's been taken care of, yes. That was --

MAYOR HILL: That's another one which, you know, that somebody asked me about it. And I says it's not my job to chase that down but --

MR. PLATT: No, it's the parts that came in yesterday. That was another one that we used parts on that we just received, and so that's why we were -- that one was out-of-service for some time. A large piece of farm equipment hit that one and rocked it off to the side, you know, somewhat, so.

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MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Well, we can still give a report on the maintenance throughout the summer so people are at least comfortable with it.

MR. SULLIVAN: And one other thing that I asked be put on the agenda is GTX. The -- Chris had said that -- I don't know who -- whether it was the Utility Committee or whatever, that they were gonna get -- the County was gonna get the sewer for that because it was on the east side. So I called Dutton and Dutton says no, that the County doesn't have the east side, the County has the customers that the Village gave them, they don't have anything over and above that. So if we wanted that sewer to come to us that we would have the right to tell them that. And I can't imagine them saying they didn't want it when it's a dollar sixty cheaper.

MR. CAMPBELL: You're talking about the TJX coming in.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah.

MR. CAMPBELL: I viewed it as some other locations in the Village where we have a water tap request, they could come from Niles or Warren, it's up to the Board to decide what works best for the situation. I was thinking along the same lines, it's the same thing. There's two possible ways that they could have sewer, and I think it's up to the Board to make a decision on which one they want them to connect to. That's how I viewed it, and I guess that's how Paul --

MR. SULLIVAN: Especially what Paul said is we should agree on that then and turn that to the Utility Committee once we did that. Do you agree with that?

MAYOR HILL: I agree with that. You know, any customer we can get.

MR. CAMPBELL: We need them all.

MAYOR HILL: We need them all because, you know --

MR. CAMPBELL: We know.

MR. SULLIVAN: That might make up for it if that second plant comes in, it doesn't go into the sewer because of the E.P.A.

MAYOR HILL: The second plant, most of that's gonna go into Mud Creek.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's what he meant.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's why I said we went to the E.P.A. and said it had to be like the first one to go into the sewer, and they wouldn't agree.

MR. CAMPBELL: The question of what the Board's gonna do when the plant closes, that's a huge question. And I think it's -- you know, it's bigger than water and sewer, it's gonna affect the whole Village. But sure, it directly affects --

MAYOR HILL: The more water you sell, the more money you make to cover your expenditures. And we're even looking a year down the road, if General Motors does close we may have to make lay-offs. You guys may have to do that. And right now everything is up in the air, you know.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well I talked to Bill the other day, and I assume it was correct that he said -- you know, I talked to him about possibly putting something aside, get a building for the Water Department. He said that's all off the table. He said so is the car, so is the east side -- or I mean the west side sewer on Highland.

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MAYOR HILL: East side. That's east, that's west.

MR. SULLIVAN: Or the east side.

MR. CAMPBELL: The Highland extension that they are looking to do.

MAYOR HILL: Any.

MR. SULLIVAN: He said that was froze.

MAYOR HILL: That's froze. They are putting all the capital improvement money into one fund. We aren't even asking the department heads to make requests. It's gonna come on as an as-needed basis, not as an as-wanted basis. There won't be any -- most of our vehicles have been replaced and, you know, at least we stay on top of it. If a roof needs fixed, we fixed it. New lights, if cars needed fixed. You know, we've stayed on top of it. We may have a couple lean years.

MR. SULLIVAN: We're kind of in trouble, I think, on vehicles; aren't we?

MR. PLATT: Yes, you know. We have that as part of our report. But like our three vehicles, the one with the least amount of miles on it is our 4x4, and it's got 96,000 miles on it. The next one is our two-wheel drive, and it's got 98,000 miles on it. And then our two-wheel drive pick-up -- or our two-wheel drive truck has 146,000 miles on it.

MR. SULLIVAN: And two of the three are pretty rotted out, aren't they?

MR. PLATT: Two of the beds are definitely in disrepair, so.

MR. SULLIVAN: So we're either gonna have to get a vehicle or send it over for repair and get a bed. We gotta do something.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep. All right. Is there --

MAYOR HILL: I'm done.

MS. SCHRADER: I wanted to pay my water bill last week. Is there any reason that the check has to be written on the day you pay your bill?

MR. CAMPBELL: I don't understand.

MS. ARLOW: Not a week before that you couldn't get in to pay it.

MS. SCHRADER: I wrote my bills out three days before I came in to pay it, and then there was a question about it.

MR. CAMPBELL: Do you know anything from that side of it?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You're supposed to date them the day you --

MR. CAMPBELL: You write the check.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You write the check the day you're submitting the checks.

MS. SCHRADER: What's the reason?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The bank doesn't --

MS. SCHRADER: They already accepted it, I already checked.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Your --

MR. CAMPBELL: Are you talking about a future date?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: She wrote it for today and submitted it three days later.

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MS. SCHRADER: I refused to change the date. There's no I.R.S. ruling on that, I checked with the bank. Most places you can go six months and they'll accept a check. Mine was only three days. Is there any reasoning behind that, because the banks --

MR. SULLIVAN: I -- my wife does that. She'll do all the bills at one time, and it might be two or three days before I get it over here.

MS. SCHRADER: That's what happened, and that's what's normal with me. I make my bills out, and then as I go I pay them. That's exactly --

MR. CAMPBELL: So is there a payment that wasn't received.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: This generated from a check that dated in November and went through in December. And I told the clerk that took the check she should check the date, not pre-dated or post-dated. If they are writing it at the window, they should correct that to a current date. And it was taken to an extreme by not accepting two or three days. I can't control --

MR. CAMPBELL: So that was --

MS. SCHRADER: But there's no I.R.S. rulings on that, there's nothing --

MR. CAMPBELL: But two or three days I can understand.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Some checks put void after 30 days, void after 90 days.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's on the check.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That's correct. So you have to check the check as it's submitted. Just like if it doesn't have the cash amount in the cash box, they have to concur. If not, the customer has to come back and correct it.

MS. SCHRADER: I can understand that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, that's part of checking the check when it comes to the window and it's presented to the window.

MS. ARLOW: But a date doesn't have any --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Some checks that are submitted have void after 30 days.

MS. ARLOW: That I can understand. But if that wasn't the case, I don't see any reason not to accept it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Again, it was just a comment made and taken to the extreme.

MR. CAMPBELL: I can talk to Bill and make sure it's understood a little better.

MS. SCHRADER: I checked with Bill, and he said there's nothing the Village has been written up about it.

MAYOR HILL: I think the only reason that would be an issue is if Donna wrote it for the 28th and the bill was the 29th but she didn't get here until the 30th. That would be the only thing where it would be an issue, but she would have the receipt to say that it was paid on the 30th. So that would even not be an issue, there still would be a fee on that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: If it comes to the counter or something like that, if it's received at the counter --

MS. SCHRADER: If a check date is written after you're

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accepting it, I understand that.

MAYOR HILL: I agree with you, yeah.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But the check -- we cannot accept a post-dated check.

MS. ARLOW: Nobody can.

MS. SCHRADER: Everybody is like that.

MR. CAMPBELL: It sounds like there was some screw up, and I apologize for that. I just want them to understand when they are taking it --

MS. SCHRADER: That happened one other time probably a couple years ago, and it happened again. And I thought I'm just gonna check.

MR. EASTHAM: I just have one thing real quick. Did we do 2018 flow tests and hydrant tests? I didn't get anything yet on 2018.

MR. PLATT: I'll make sure you get what we have there, so, okay. The flow tests have been very spotty. We haven't gone through the yearly flow tests for those, but we have done some flow tests, you know, there.

MR. EASTHAM: Because we actually need to stay on doing them every year, every hydrant, test once a year and flowed once a year.

MR. PLATT: The plan is, of course, to flow every hydrant and check it. But to flow test every hydrant with the man power that is available is virtually impossible, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's a lot longer test to do that?

MR. PLATT: Yes, uh-huh.

MR. SULLIVAN: Flow test is where you actually open it up --

MR. PLATT: And put it on full flow for a couple minutes until everybody stabilizes, and you wait to shut it down after all your pressure readings. And so each hydrant itself, you know, you're looking at --

MR. SULLIVAN: Half hour.

MR. PLATT: -- at least a half hour per hydrant for that.

MR. CAMPBELL: And a lot of water.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, a lot of water. That's been the other thing that we have to watch and be cognizant of. Like doing our hydrant testing, we don't flow them as hard as we used to because we don't have to cleanse the lines and scour the lines like we used to, you know. Plus we didn't want to so-called put all of that revenue out on the ground so to speak, you know, all that cost involved, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, that's definitely something to keep. Thanks, Travis.

(At this time, Mr. Eastham leaves the meeting.)

MR. CAMPBELL: Any other Public Comments? We appreciate that, and we'll work on getting something together to help that situation. None of us like getting beat up, so we understand that.

MR. SULLIVAN: And I would think on the -- what the cost

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is gonna be, all we can tell them is there's gonna be probably a significant --

MR. CAMPBELL: We don't know the answer to that at this point. We might talk in generalities and have something. I guess everyone realizes it is gonna affect it. I guess just a little note on that is we were looking to do come January some adjustments, you know. And the plant announces it closing and one of my first thoughts is yes, we're gonna do something; but we can't do what we need because it's gonna be huge. And the other aspect of that is if the plant is still looking to retool or G.M. is looking to re-use the plant, we don't want to throw huge increase onto their water bill. It's a fine line of it needs some, but we need to put proper thought around how much and what's comfortable to live with for now and see what happens with the plant. Does that make sense?

MAYOR HILL: Kevin, I agree with you. But --

MR. CAMPBELL: That's where we're at.

MAYOR HILL: You can't guess it at this point, I don't expect anybody to. But you know, then somebody said well this is a contract year, which Mike's been through a million contract years. They say how do you negotiate when you don't have anything to negotiate for. So if they go to the table --

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, and that's what they think this whole thing is about, the five plants that they closed. And there's something in the agreement that said that they are not allowed to close a plant during the four year contract, so that's why they're idle.

MR. CAMPBELL: Idle.

MR. SULLIVAN: But the thought is that -- and I don't know if it will be good for all -- but when they go to the table and they say we want concessions they go oh, we thought you wanted work brought back, you know. So rather than giving anything other than retooling plants, hopefully that's where it ends up, you know, where we get a product. Unless they would sell it between now and then.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't know how realistic that is, that electric car.

MR. CAMPBELL: Tesla. There's a lot of rumors.

MAYOR HILL: The only other -- our plant here is not set up for lower volume cars, this thing's set up for high volume.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MAYOR HILL: And due to the fact there are so many different car makers out there, what's the chances of us getting -- unless you get a pick-up or an SUV, cars -- nobody is buying cars, whether it be Ford, Chrysler or anybody.

MR. SULLIVAN: They got that new Trailblazer, they got five plants in Mexico, and none of those five were affected.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Well, we're gonna keep adding to that rumor mill.

MAYOR HILL: Do you need me for anything tonight, Mike?

MR. CAMPBELL: Any other questions for the Mayor, any clarifications?

MR. SULLIVAN: Appreciate you coming.

MAYOR HILL: I get beat up, so that's why I figure I had

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to come back and spread the bad news.

MR. SULLIVAN: We get our share of beat up too, and we'll get more.

MR. PLATT: Just have them call me.

(At this time, Mayor Hill leaves the meeting.)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. TJX - Sanitary Sewer

MR. CAMPBELL: New Business which we added, which Mike touched on, the TJX sanitary sewer. So I guess with that I was on the same mind-set just like we handled similar issues with water accounts in the Village, if a water customer came to us and said I have the option to tie to Warren, to us, or to Niles, we have the decision to say --

MR. SULLIVAN: Which one.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, what works best for us, for the customer. And we've had -- you know, we've had to make that decision in the past. So to me, this is just the same thing, bigger scale with the industry that's coming in. But it's sewer, but we still should have the decision if it's gonna -- we're gonna give it and let them tie it into Trumbull County or we're gonna take and connect it to our east side.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think if we tie it into the park it's gonna help that flow over there.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's connected to our east side system over there. And we would request that back and -- I guess I might as well talk about it right now. If the Board is under that same mind-set, then I can make a motion and we can deliver that to Council. And whoever is working with the agreements or talking with TJX, they can at least say all right, here's what we want and here's what you need to do to engineer --

MR. SULLIVAN: And I can't imagine them saying no.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, that's what I mean. It's up to us to present to them what we have and where we want connected.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And it's really not their choice. It's not their choice.

MR. SULLIVAN: No. But the way Chris laid that thing out several times like it was a done deal because they were gonna give us such a super deal on Highland and that, you know. And apparently there was a meeting here, and I don't know who was in it.

MR. PLATT: Chris set that up. And there were three individuals from Trumbull County, one of which was like the sanitary engineer -- I'm sorry, his name escapes me -- and then there were two other people.

MR. SULLIVAN: Anybody from the company?

MR. PLATT: No, no one from the company, you know. They --

MR. SULLIVAN: And nobody from the Board.

MR. PLATT: Myself, Darren was here I believe, and then Chris. Was Mr. Bond here? I don't --

MR. BIGGS: I don't think so.

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MR. CAMPBELL: Well, I think at this point, because they haven't delivered what they're planning to do in detail yet, right -- the project plan is still --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Kelly actually said she put some stuff in Bruce's box where they wanted to go to the third reading, their tax abatement third reading with a special meeting at the end of the year, and they are pushing for some paperwork to be placed before the Planning Commission, but they have not submitted anything and that's where it's important that they know. And they said with the road being made into a cul-de-sac and they not having to re-route the road --

MR. CAMPBELL: So that has changed too. I didn't realize that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: To my understanding.

MR. CAMPBELL: Any more discussion for the sewer connection? Do you guys have anything you want to add to that? Well then, I'll make the motion that we recommend to Council that TJX connect to the East Side Sewer System.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'll second.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. I'll add it to my to-do list. All right. Very good.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. A Resolution adopting revised Rules and Regulations governing water use and service for the Village of Lordstown

MR. CAMPBELL: All right, we're down to Old Business. Number 1, a Resolution adopting revised Rules and Regulations governing water use and service for the Village of Lordstown. Chris was in on this one. Where are we at with that from our last meeting, I'm trying to recall. We talked about our rate sheet.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You didn't do anything with the rate sheet at the last meeting. Again, you have to determine if your de minimus charge is going to be.

MR. CAMPBELL: If we're going to do a minimum bill.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: He would recommend at least getting the rate sheet adjusted if nothing else so you implement that minimum bill, whether there's a de minimus, if it's de minimus or not. That way if there is no water flow over there you're able to collect that. And I can tell you the City of Warren reached out to me early last week for the contract to see what the contract stated for us with the sale of water to General Motors.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'm sure they did.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: They couldn't find their copy of that. So if we start getting that bill and the water, the water flow down --

MR. CAMPBELL: Do you guys understand what she's referring to? They're starting to question that when the plant goes down what can they start billing us because the connection exists.

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, I don't know if that was why, but they want the contract to know what was said.

MR. SULLIVAN: So we need to pass this. If G.M. would shut down, they would still be responsible for the minimum bill.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Not exactly the Rules and Regulations, there's things Chris hadn't finished. You can adjust the rate sheet every year in July in the --

MR. SULLIVAN: Bylaws.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's not the bylaws but the Board's -- I cannot think of it. Says that is all, you'll adjust those yearly or look at them to be adjusted. And if you wait until March for it to take effect --

MR. CAMPBELL: It's too late.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: -- you could be --

MR. CAMPBELL: It's too late.

MR. SULLIVAN: March 1 is the day they are going down.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: To my understanding that they're not guaranteeing, I mean, full production even through January and February.

MR. CAMPBELL: A lot of it is up in the air.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We don't know. But I can tell you the water bill is substantially less than what it was.

MR. SULLIVAN: So losing them as a customer, do we pay the same way -- the Village pays the same way like G.M. does on the scale, the more you use the less you pay?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Not with the City of Warren. We have a flat rate price per -- they bill in cubic feet, but it's a flat rate. So no water on our top scale we make a little bit more, but we always pay Warren a flat rate per -- you know, per hundred cubic feet.

MR. CAMPBELL: But they could bill us a minimum bill even though there's no water going through it, bill us --

MR. SULLIVAN: Right. And this would stop that.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well what it would be, we would have the right within our stuff to send that bill to G.M. Would we get the money? I assume if the plant is just idle they would still pay bills and utilities if it's sitting there, I would assume that. So that would at least give us some justification to say we're getting billed this, the connection is still there, even though they're not using water. There's probably some leaks in that place, so there will be some flow; but it's not going to amount to anything.

MR. SULLIVAN: But the reason that we think it would be a significant hit to the Water Department is we would still need the same number of employees or -- say G.M. goes away and their water goes away --

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MR. SULLIVAN: Why is it gonna be a significant hit to us?

MR. CAMPBELL: Because that's where most of our water is sold where we make our money on. Lots of it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The volume of water sold.

MR. SULLIVAN: On the top scale.

MR. CAMPBELL: Not just on the top scale, the volume of

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: How much water we sell to them. Unlike the power plant where we're only making 10 cents a thousand gallons, with General Motors you're making \$2 or \$2.50, whatever it may be, for a --

MR. SULLIVAN: I seen somewhere that they pay about \$350,000, and for the same amount of water they pay about \$120,000.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The power plant will use three times the amount of water as General Motors did.

MR. SULLIVAN: And paid what?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And they will pay a tenth.

MR. CAMPBELL: A lot less.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And we're still projecting figures.

MR. CAMPBELL: Every time we talk about it, it seems like the equation changes on it. And not little chunks, big changes. It's so hard to keep hitting that moving target.

MR. SULLIVAN: And there's nothing in the agreement about when the whole Village has to raise the water rates, we can't raise theirs.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I think you need to go to the Solicitor and talk to him and tell him that agreement needs to be opened.

MR. CAMPBELL: If we have any luck with that, I don't know.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, exactly. But it's not like you're saying I'm not gonna make as much money as I wanted. It's to prevent you from making the money that you need to operate.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's how we need to it, I think that's how we need to present it, just for operating aspects of our system. Not that we're making it for profit, we need that to stay whole and running. And hopefully we'll get some response and, you know, they at least consider looking at it and opening up and, you know, all right, we can afford to give that. Let's not kid ourselves, it all boils down to money and their profit margins and aspects to that. So you're asking them to give up percentages of their profit, and they have to talk to their investors. Yeah, it's not an easy thing just to say that it's gonna happen. At least we all know now where we're at. And as other projects come into the Village -- back on point, back on point. With the water aspect of it, I mean, I still like the idea of going to a minimum bill like we talked about.

MR. SULLIVAN: I agree.

MR. CAMPBELL: It does gain us some revenue. It sets us up for, I guess, understanding keeping things clear and in line with our surrounding communities, and there's a lot of aspects to it I liked. It's just quite a shift change of what we've had. But once we do it, I think things will be easier for us to understand and manage moving forward and it kind of blocks off here's what it takes just to keep service for that tap or that line that's going to a resident or a business whatever it may be. And then setting up our minimums like we looked at, that we could possibly end up having to pay Warren or something like that for is also a smart avenue. It's gonna increase the minimum bill of a lot of businesses that are in between residents and G.M. You know, not a lot, but we have -- what I mean is it's gonna

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substantially increase their bills. We don't have a lot of those customers, but it will substantially increase their bill.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I would perhaps recommend, if you're considering opening up the LEC agreement, that you talk to Paul and see if that's viable. Because if you do open that agreement, that is viable for -- you know, that will carry the department. I'm not saying you wouldn't have to do some sort of rate increase; but if you're going to do that, see where you end up with that before you do.

MR. CAMPBELL: That may be something that, let's say, put it tickled upon. But I don't see that as being a fast.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But due to a lot of comments that have come in, it all goes back to that agreement and why are we going to pay the increase, why are the residents going to bear the burden of that one when big business is not. And that is what is in the office.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't have an answer.

MR. CAMPBELL: And that's why we're back to this where I'd like to set up a minimum bill, even if it's not to where we think it should be but set the structure.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Start it.

MR. SULLIVAN: We have the figures for a minimum bill, don't we?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It would be very easy to figure out if you had a dollar amount in mind. I mean, you would times it by your customers times the number of bills per year. You would know exactly a fixed amount that your water revenue would increase. Comparing it to adding it to the water rate, that depends on usage and that depends on how much. And if you raise it, some people tend to turn that faucet off a little faster.

MR. CAMPBELL: Just look at how our industry changes with usage, so you're basically a figure on a moving target. We have fixed figures it takes to run the department, boom.

MR. SULLIVAN: But I thought we had already done that, come up with a fixed figure.

MR. CAMPBELL: No. We talked about changing the concept of our billing structure, and that's why I was just saying switching to this will create revenue and get us in a position where we could move forward easier with that where that -- you know, switching to a huge figure off the bat with so many things up in the air right now. That's where my mind-set is. Even if we took -- like we said before, instead of having what were you paying now that had some water usage, there's no water usage in it at all and say it's -- instead of paying a minimum of 9 bucks a quarter you can make it, you know, 15 bucks a quarter is a minimum, you know, for residential; and we have our structures we set up depending on your size, and then anything used on top of that is gonna be added to your bill. Then we have a figure that that's just for having that service, not usage. Does that make sense to you gentlemen?

MR. DIETZ: Yeah, like you're saying I have a minimum bill every month, all right. Then you'll say what, is it five thousand, what's the minimum bill?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: \$9 a quarter.

MR. DIETZ: \$9 a quarter. But how many gallons?

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, you would get one -- 1,000 gallons in there at \$5.66, Tom.

MR. SULLIVAN: Does that go if you have a second meter, for the second meter too.

MR. DIETZ: Second meter only deducts you your sewage rate.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You don't get billed on the second meter.

MR. SULLIVAN: Because I know when I put my second meter in it was \$5 a month.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: \$5 a quarter, and it still is. And only if you adjusted that rate would it change. But that is not a minimum. There's no minimum required to be deducted; that's for sewer purposes, not for water.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's a fee that we charge for doing that reading and, you know, editing your bill before we send it to the County.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, I know we had some we worked with. You have it right there, isn't it, what we had for some of the minimum bills on the rate sheet?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Those were just --

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: -- kind of to round up from what Warren would charge based on a meter size.

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And those were not figures set by you. Those were the ones that just rounded it up from.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well yeah, we would use those because we could get billed for -- with a person having that connection they didn't use any water, Warren sends us the bill and says sorry, you still owe us balances, we have a minimum bill. And we go to our customer and go well, you didn't use any but we still gotta pay the bill. And they are like (making noise), that's not my problem. So this protects us for bills we could receive even if a customer doesn't use water. It covers their minimum bill, and we're not losing money on situations that arise like that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Correct. Because previously the minimum bill was \$4 for a residential or standard meter, \$10 for like two or four inch meters or -- and then from six to ten or twelve inch meter was \$15 a month. And that six to ten or twelve inch meters, whatever the size was, \$15, when Warren is gonna, in fact, bill us \$941 or \$81 for that same meter if that customer uses nothing. So setting the consumption aside, you have to adjust -- you have to adjust the minimum bill consumption or not, de minimus or not, you have to get these charges implemented, you know, however you want to put that. That basically is not really marking anything up, it's just rounding it off.

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: So that's why you have to get put into place, whatever you choose to put into those, in the event that there's no water usage.

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MR. DIETZ: I know we talked about what, three 15-inch meters at LEC?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Twelve inch.

MR. PLATT: Twelve inch. There's two -- two 12-inch meters at LEC.

MR. DIETZ: On our line?

MR. PLATT: Right.

MR. DIETZ: And then there's one on --

MR. PLATT: Warren's line.

MR. DIETZ: So basically we got three 12-inch meters.

MR. PLATT: There's three 12-inch meters there, yes, uh-huh.

MR. CAMPBELL: So we have our 12-inch rate, their minimum bills would be three times that minimum aspect and then their usage on top of it.

MR. DIETZ: Right, I remember that. Is that --?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Not if -- that's only if you implemented the charges, the de minimus charge. If you're saying no matter what, just for having water on its \$950 a motor, then your consumption, that's a different -- that's why I said you gotta determine how you're going to implement it. At the bare minimum you need to say if you use nothing you're gonna pay \$950. That's what you have to do. If you're going to do that \$950 plus your consumption, that's gonna get a reaction from a lot of customers and that's --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well yeah, exactly. But it's not gonna be that much money to us is the problem. Yes, it's gonna be a big reaction that's not gonna bring -- it's gonna be a reaction from, like I said, our higher, larger correction meter customers, which we really don't have that many.

MR. SULLIVAN: About four.

MR. CAMPBELL: Probably a little more. We're gonna get some revenue from that, and it's protecting us from that aspect. But that's what I was saying, their bill is gonna go up a lot. For us it's gonna be some extra revenue. But is it a windfall, no, by no means, because we have such a small customer base that that affects.

MR. DIETZ: But we're trying to protect ourselves from getting a bill from Niles and Warren if they're not using anything is what we're trying to do.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And you can do that next month without the bylaws. The bylaws -- there's things that you have to determine further than that rate. But again, you need to implement this. Then you have to notify the customer that it's been implemented. And we got to change all the billing software. I mean, whether you write the bylaws or not, you can still change that on the rate sheet. That's the pleasure of it being separate from the bylaws. And that is something that you to have to determine what those figures are going to be and get them into place. Then go back and let's brush through the bylaws and figure out how it applies and what you want to do there.

MR. DIETZ: Well, let me see if I totally understand what we're talking about. Like I get a minimum bill every quarter, all right. That will no longer be? That will be my minimum bill of \$9, and anything I use above say a thousand gallons just for --

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: Bad example, but yes.

MR. DIETZ: Okay. I mean, but for a small brain like mine, all right. My minimum bill was \$9 say for a thousand. Now I'm gonna have to pay for everything on top of that \$9 above the 1,000 gallons?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Including the --

MR. SULLIVAN: Depends how we want to do it. We can either do a minimum bill if you don't use but not plus.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Right.

MR. SULLIVAN: Or you can do plus and then the \$9. Right now we don't charge. The minimum bill is five bucks or whatever it is. But that only comes into effect if you don't use any water.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And keep in mind, taking the businesses and separating them, you're gonna have about 1,500 customers. So if you take 36 -- \$9 a quarter, four bills, \$36 a year times 1,500, it is not going to save you at the end of 2019.

MR. CAMPBELL: We know that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It is this much. It is a fraction of what you're --

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, I think -- I'm not thinking of it as a something to raise a bunch of revenue. I'm thinking of a thing to protect ourselves if they should happen to go down or G.M. goes down, I think that's what we're looking at doing. Isn't that what you're saying, Kevin?

MR. CAMPBELL: Uh-huh, yep. Yep. And again, we implement that structure, that does get us some revenue, it's in the right direction we need because we know we're gonna need it regardless of what happens with the plant. And you know, hope things aren't as bad as they could be, we don't know, but we'll start that direction to see.

MR. SULLIVAN: Even if there was a new product, I don't see that hitting until the earliest '20. It could take like a year to change over, and we wouldn't negotiate that probably until September, October. So say they got an agreement in to bring a product in the end of October, it's gonna take them a year, year-and-a-half to update the plant.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep. It will be some usage during that, but not like its running. So at this point what would you gentlemen like to do?

MR. SULLIVAN: I would like to protect ourselves and set a minimum water rate.

MR. CAMPBELL: That includes usage or no usage?

MS. SULLIVAN: No usage, I think. What do you think?

MR. CAMPBELL: That's where my mind was around it. I'd like to keep it separated so it keeps things cleaner.

MR. SULLIVAN: Without affecting all the residents.

MR. CAMPBELL: Then the hardest part of that question is what figure do we want to use for that minimum bill. We have from the residential all the way up to 16 inch, right? We had some of those that we basically worked off of from what Warren would charge us and use those, but they stopped at 12 inch. So we don't have anything for 14 and 16 figures. And you know --

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: And that's where we're written on tap size and they're written on meter size. So there's multiple decisions right there.

MR. SULLIVAN: Help us here, Bruce.

MR. PLATT: I would -- you know, the meeting that we first started talking about this I was all for the tap size. But in thinking about it after the meeting and really pondering it, I think it would be better to go by meter size, you know, too. I think that alleviates a lot of the -- a lot of issues out there that we have say with the plaza, for instance, that has a 6-inch tap but there's no 6-inch meters anywhere, but there's like five or six or seven meters and each one of those units is paying type thing.

MR. CAMPBELL: A residential basically.

MR. PLATT: I think if we went ahead by the meter size, as long as it would be able to be handled by the billing department, I think that would clean everything up.

MR. CAMPBELL: How does the meter size affect like the plant that we would be able to -- what meter is -- I mean, one of our biggest concerns is coming up, if the plant closes and we've got minimum bills for G.M.

MR. PLATT: We have on our line over there on Bailey Road, the one that we feed, it's a 6-inch meter but it's a 10-inch tap, you know. But they can only get water through a 6-inch meter, you know. So you know, they're restricting themselves by putting in a 6-inch meter, so that really makes it a value of a 6-inch tap.

MR. CAMPBELL: That helps us to agree that we still have the protection and it doesn't shoot their bill as high. It will still increase their bill, but I like the mind-set with that.

MR. PLATT: And meter size, basically that conversation came up because we're gonna get -- if there is no usage on the city of Warren's water meter say at Matalco or wherever we have, they have a minimum charge based on meter size. And out of our charges, you know, we don't have that, you know. We just say hey, whatever Warren sells you water-wise that's it's gonna go through and we're gonna bill you at our rate, you know. And if no water goes through it, then we still get a bill from Warren, then we say we base your bill on your rate and here's our minimum bill of \$9 and Warren's minimum bill could be --

MR. SULLIVAN: \$900.

MR. PLATT: \$140 or \$240 or X-dollars, you know. Our bill, you know, is \$9 or \$18 or whatever, you know, so.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MR. PLATT: So I would recommend -- I think I had sent an e-mail out, it's been a couple months, saying I've reconsidered that and it should go on meter size rather than tap size, you know, so.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Well then, I'll tell you what. I know it's not much time before the end of the year, but I'll come -- you and I will meet, we'll rework this stuff based on the best knowledge we have of where we're at and bring it back to the Board to review and that's --

MR. SULLIVAN: Do we need a special meeting?

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MR. CAMPBELL: Well, I want to get something that we can look at.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right, right.

MR. CAMPBELL: We've talked around a lot and changed directions, but now let's put it all on one sheet in red, here's what we're looking to change and think through, all right, residential, some of our medium customers, some of our large customers, here's how it affects them, here's how we're protected, here's some revenue we're going to receive, and make our judgment call.

MR. DIETZ: Something we can see in black-and-white.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Add it to my to-do list.

2. A Resolution increasing rates and charges for consumers of the water utility service within and outside the Village of Lordstown and declaring an emergency

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. I guess number 2 is the same ballpark, a Resolution increasing rates and charges for consumers of the water utility service within and outside the Village of Lordstown and declaring an emergency. So these two are, you know, somewhat combined. Once we set the sheet, we'll go back and look at the Rules and Regulations.

3. A Resolution recommending that the Mayor and Clerk enter into an agreement with the Board of Commissioners of Trumbull County, Ohio for the sewer outlet privileges with the Village's Highland Avenue Extension area

MR. CAMPBELL: Number 3, a Resolution recommending that the Mayor and Clerk enter into an agreement with the Board of Commissioners of Trumbull County, Ohio for the sewer outlet privileges with the Village's Highland Avenue Extension area. Chris did have a response to that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, and I don't understand why it even made the agenda since they said that's been --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, it's been on our agenda.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, I know. But wouldn't it go off with them?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: When you take it off.

MR. CAMPBELL: And I think we at least talk about it then so its due diligence, it's here, we're taking it off because --

MR. SULLIVAN: We do know they suspended it.

MR. CAMPBELL: Right. And that's what Chris responded to. That project's been idled. It may come back around, but as of right now --

MR. SULLIVAN: We should talk about it when that happens.

MR. DIETZ: We're no longer gonna have it on our Old Business until a future date?

MR. CAMPBELL: Until it comes back around. So are we all okay with any other discussions around that?

MR. DIETZ: So it's still ongoing?

MR. SULLIVAN: So do we want to take that off?

MR. CAMPBELL: We'll take it off our agenda. There's no reason we need to talk about it at this point. It may never happen,

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it may happen this year, two years, it may never happen.

4. New Vehicle

MR. CAMPBELL: Number 4, down to our new vehicle, our truck that we touched about earlier. I think you had some additional information or stuff to consider.

MR. PLATT: Yes, we do. We have a proposal from Sarchione Chevrolet. And I'll kind of let -- Darren's been handling that for us.

MR. CAMPBELL: Good.

MR. PLATT: He's gotten a couple of -- put in requests for proposals from other dealers, so I'll just kind of let Darren tell you what all he did.

MR. BIGGS: Went to three of them to see what they could do for us that have similar vehicles to this. Two of them didn't even get back to me, but they didn't even have what we were looking for. Sarchione actually had two of them, nobody else in the area did. So they were able to send something, and this \$48,214 was just their -- this is probably what we could do. Now this is the vehicle with already -- that already has the bed that we need on there. So it's everything ready to go. That was the only thing that got back and that we could use. That was what we got on those ones.

MR. SULLIVAN: So help me understand. If we would make a motion for that, do we pay for it or would it come out of capital?

MR. CAMPBELL: No, it would come out of our funds. Initially we, I think, started either with plans to take it out of the sewer fund if I remember. Is my statement still correct? I said --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The auto fund had \$55,000. And it's actually water, but there was \$55,000 set aside for a pick-up truck.

MR. CAMPBELL: A vehicle.

MR. SULLIVAN: See, that's when I talked to Bill about that the other day and he's saying oh, no.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Bill killed it. Bill said no. He said he's not putting money in next year's budget for it.

MR. SULLIVAN: But if we already have it in the budget, where can he say no if we decide that we want to tap into that 55 that we've already put aside?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You need to tell him that before he does his appropriations for next year.

MR. CAMPBELL: Let's talk about it right now. I know he's not in favor of it, and there's been three Council members that have told me they are not in favor of it. So I'm not sure how much it will go past us if we recommend it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I'm not sure Council could stop you from purchasing it.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's what I'm thinking. I know if we pass it it's gonna go to Council. But when I was on Council --

MR. CAMPBELL: I know, I know, I've heard it both sides, and I've seen it sometimes when it's not supposed to be stuff.

MR. SULLIVAN: You have a right to, like we have the right to hire and fire and so on where the other committees don't.

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MR. DIETZ: But yet the Mayor sat right there and said we were a separate division, but he catches all the flack.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well if you're going to proceed with the truck, I can say that because you're so near \$50,000 that is a threshold that by law you're required to get estimates. He wants three. He will never support ordering new legislation for that or allowing Paul to prepare it if you don't have three. He told me that point blank, and that was before the announcement from General Motors. You must have three. If someone goes and questions you the got to say look, A, B and C, this was the best package that we could come up with. You can't just pick randomly your buddy's dealership.

MR. CAMPBELL: Or just have one.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: So that you would have to do. But it's your money. But you do need to make sure to express that to Bill, because if that truck's not purchased before December 31 he is not putting the money in the auto fund.

MR. PLATT: We did solicit or request for a proposal from Wollam Chevrolet.

MR. SULLIVAN: Spitzer.

MR. PLATT: We did try Diane Sauer's and we did -- I personally tried Greenwood Chevrolet because that's where our other two vehicles were from. We did not get a response for any one of those three, you know. Somebody said oh, I'll fax you something.

MR. CAMPBELL: Nothing.

MR. PLATT: Greenwood point blank told me sorry, we don't have anything. And he wasn't interested in even looking to see if he could get a price on something, you know, for us, you know how they serve dealers and that kind of stuff, you know, so. We made the attempt, we unfortunately don't have any documentation of that when they don't send you anything, you can't get anything.

MR. CAMPBELL: We're not beating you up on it.

MR. PLATT: I realize that. But I needed to say that for the minutes, you know so.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. This looks difficult again. I'm not gonna lie to you; it does look difficult to get done before the end of the year. That leads me to the next --

MR. SULLIVAN: But we need to do it before the appropriation.

MR. CAMPBELL: How are we gonna get it in place?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: If they could get something to you, you would have to call a special meeting.

MR. CAMPBELL: We would have to have the three figures and make a meeting and have it to Bill before.

MR. SULLIVAN: Might be able to get something off of Stadium.

MR. BIGGS: I can keep trying. I can try whoever. We've tried already, but I can get at least two other ones.

MR. CAMPBELL: I told you there's gonna be a lot of eyes on us buying a new truck with the announcement of the plant closing. I don't care how much justification we put behind it, there's gonna be a lot of eyes on it. Not just Council, but there's gonna be a lot of eyes on this. But I want to think what other options we have that

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we can use and do to keep our department the best we can, and I think we need to spend some minutes on it. It's not gonna be an easy thing to get in place and get done, and there's gonna be a lot of -- we already have people asking what is happening to our water rates, and we roll up in a brand-new truck. I just don't want us looking bad from just that. There's a lot behind this, but that's not a good impression in my mind. So I mean, other options we talked about a little bit is repairing the beds that we have, get them welded, get them painted up, get them so stuff doesn't fall out the rusted holes. I think I asked this before, but I'm not sure I fully understood. How is the maintenance on our trucks done? Does Roads do it or do you guys?

MR. BIGGS: The -- Roads helps us out and we do some, and if it can't be done -- it's a little of everything with that. Yeah, if they can help us out with their equipment, if there's something we can do.

MR. CAMPBELL: Like regular oil change and stuff Roads --

MR. BIGGS: They have everything over there.

MR. CAMPBELL: Do they bill it, do they -- I just want to know.

MR. PLATT: It's a shared thing, you know. Like there will be sometimes where they need some help from the Water Department so we'll share labor with them and --

MR. CAMPBELL: It's a good handshake, shared relationship. And if it's something major repair, we have to take it to a dealer or something like that?

MR. SULLIVAN: Haven't we got some of the beds from that outfit over by the 46 there?

MR. PLATT: Not on 46 at all. That Quality Truck Body is on the south side of Youngstown. That's where we've got our beds from for the other trucks, you know, so. And they deal in that. You know, we could check into -- we were hoping to get estimates for repairs on the beds for this meeting. However, Mother Nature and our sewer lift station didn't cooperate with us very well.

MR. SULLIVAN: What do they run, about five, six thousand?

MR. PLATT: They're in that neighborhood, yeah. They're five, six, seven thousand dollars. It depends on how you outfit them.

MR. SULLIVAN: If you got a new -- the one that you have all the pockets and stuff on --

MR. PLATT: Uh-huh.

MR. SULLIVAN: -- if we got a new bed for that --

MR. PLATT: Well, at the last meeting I had the grid sheet --

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. PLATT: -- with the costs on it. But they had said for the two beds, off the top of my head, I'd say it was about 15.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, 12 to 15 thousand dollars.

MR. BIGGS: On Sarchione, Mike, right here for the service body with hitch they have \$7,500. They list it as separate. Six to seventy-five hundred seems to be about right.

MR. PLATT: So in putting a bed -- a new bed on an old

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trunk, you know, you're gonna pay to take the old bed off and put the new bed on.

MR. SULLIVAN: And when that truck pukes, you got to pay to --

MR. PLATT: The nice thing like that is they can take that bed and move it to the next new truck. You don't have to -- you can buy a cab and chassis then and get that. But again you're paying -- you're putting something that's a little bit older on a newer chassis, you know, type deal, so. You know, to me the only thing to do is really buy a new bed and chassis outright, okay, to have everything new, and then possibly repair the old beds and keep them on the trucks as you have. Now me personally, yeah, I don't like being in that new truck, you know, and pulling up to a customer's house in a brand-new truck who you just raised their water rates and -- you know, I mean, they have to understand that we can't service them if our trucks are bad, you know. The little -- you should see the laundry list of the stuff on our two-wheel drive up there that has 98,000 miles on it. You know, I mean, it's got 14 things on that list that need repaired, you know. Like if you pull up and put it in park and then put it in reverse, you just hope it's gonna back up right now, you know.

MR. SULLIVAN: So the transmission is shaky.

MR. BIGGS: You go to pull out, that's exactly what it feels like. Now who wants to be in that when we're out driving around? I mean, you got your employees running around in that. You know, that's -- if they're out in it and the vehicle's out then what happens. Then you're not gonna see a new truck or old truck pull up to service your home, you're not gonna get anything, we're not gonna have it.

MR. CAMPBELL: And I think it's good to have a proper balance of equipment that can service our residents and keeping the cost to where we can actually have money to keep employees too. I mean, things are -- if that plant goes all the way flat it's gonna be really tight. I mean, I'd like to keep people working ultimately more than anything. I'm just gonna say how I think about it. That's, you know -- and I'm on the other end of that, you know, where I work where the first thing they look at is cutting people and I always hated that. There are other things that we can do before we cut people. So I think this is one of those avenues that I'd like to see us do the best we can and make the best decision. Like I say, you hate to throw money at something that's just gonna be a money pit and it's always breaking down and your guys are always calling to pick them up. Are we at that point with some of those trucks? That's why we have to rely on you guys to --

MR. SULLIVAN: It sounds like that two-wheel drive is at that point, and it's got the least amount of miles.

MR. PLATT: Yeah. And in addition too, the body of it is actually in the best shape of all of them.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, maybe we put a new transmission in it.

MR. BIGGS: The thing of it is that's not one of our work trucks, that's a pick-up truck. It's a six-cylinder, it's not a commercial.

MR. CAMPBELL: It wouldn't be as much to repair it then.

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MR. SULLIVAN: It's a run-around.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's a run-around truck.

MR. BIGGS: It has tools and stuff in it. But anything that's big that we keep in there is all in the other ones. Smaller jobs, yes, it's --

MR. PLATT: That's the truck that the summer guys take out to do some of the weed whipping around the fire hydrants or to flow the fire hydrants and stuff, you know, where there's not a lot of people. Or if you're going out to change, well today we went and changed a water meter in it, okay. We got to make sure we got everything we need on it and grab a meter to put in there and then okay, get that bucket over there and outfit it and off we went, you know, so. It -- we use it more than just jump in it and go to point B. But by the same token, one of the things that we have not done is try to shop used.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's what I was just gonna ask.

MR. PLATT: You know, because that's -- we've never done that before, you know. I mean, that's never been an option for us.

MR. CAMPBELL: It may be our future.

MR. SULLIVAN: I know some communities buy the police cars off the State Patrol. I think the State Patrol gets rid of them at 100,000 or something. I was just wondering if that's an option.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well I mean, that's where my mind-set is around it. I think you guys have expressed how you felt with it. And I know you guys are in a bad place because you need good trucks, you need to be running around and doing your jobs with it. And unfortunately, I think we're heading more in the direction of things are gonna get tighter than better. That's just honestly how I see it.

MR. DIETZ: Would they give you any prices on a used truck or --

MR. BIGGS: They're sales people, they'll give you prices on anything. Whether they have it or not, I don't know, Tom. But yeah, if there's something used yeah, sure they'll give us a price.

MR. PLATT: We definitely can keep shopping. But I think what Board needs to do, A, this takes time to do that. What the Board needs to do is make sure that money that's available this year is available to us next year, you know. Because I doubt very much that we'll be able to find a used vehicle between now and --

MR. CAMPBELL: The end of the month.

MR. PLATT: -- the end of the month and be able to make that purchase.

MR. SULLIVAN: I just talked to Sarchione today for my grandson. He wants a Colorado diesel, and he wanted a used one. And he said I got a demo '17, and I think he's gonna get that. And it was a year in, and it was about \$15,000 cheaper than the new once.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. So back to the question that popped into my head. Originally we were talking about adding a truck. Are we still at that mind-set of adding and not replacing?

MR. PLATT: Yes, definitely.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's not gonna be an easy sell either.

MR. SULLIVAN: So I was thinking of that too. If we just

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bought a pick-up could we take one of the beds that we have and put that on it?

MR. PLATT: They're both inside the beds themselves, you know, and where you would lay stuff down there are holes in those beds, you know. They'd need repaired.

MR. SULLIVAN: So you would have to repair them?

MR. CAMPBELL: The cost of just doing it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And keep in mind, you have the people that say why do two guys have to go change a meter. Well, you only have three trucks and you have five- and-half employees. You know, you're gonna get smacked either way. But the trucks are falling apart. Whether you show up in a new truck, at least you showed up. I mean, you're gonna have to pick your battles wisely, I guess. You can't expect them to go cater to the residents and help them with their "I have a noise in my house" that they want you to look at and the guys go over. But if they don't have the vehicle to get there -- I mean, it's not like it's I want a Cadillac Escalade because I don't like the Chevy truck. These are falling apart. And you're putting your employees in something that -- the police department still gets \$90,000 of radios because it's a security thing because sometimes they can't be heard. Well if our employees are driving a truck that might not continue to go when they pull out in front of a semi-truck at an intersection, to me that's a concern for your employees.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah. But the point is for using -- if we're getting an additional truck, then we no longer have the argument of we're replacing something that's bad. What we're doing is saying we still have all the repairs and costs of what we got we're gonna add to. And that's where, you know, they're gonna go (making face). So we still have the cost of the truck and trying to fix the one that we have that's got transmission issues and have the bed fixes and we still have everything else, and now we're purchasing a used truck that's gonna have some issues. Let's not kid ourselves, we're buying a used truck. So you're adding to your expenses and costs. No part of this equation do our expenses go down, you know.

MR. PLATT: Right.

MR. CAMPBELL: And will it help meet the demand of our community, yes. But again --

MR. DIETZ: How can we secure that -- what we have in the truck fund already with Bill?

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll have to sit and talk with Bill and say we're looking at a used pick-up price which is, I don't know, it's probably gonna be at least thirty grand.

MR. PLATT: It's gotta be, you know, we've got specific vehicles. One, it's white; two, it's a Chevy or a G.M.C.; three, it's a twenty -- at least a 2500 HD. You know, so you're really -- you know, you can't just go get the one that they're selling thousands of every day.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's hard to get prices on what you want.

MR. PLATT: You gotta, you know, hit that target. And to make it a useful vehicle, you know --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well if we get something used, how do we get three bids on something that's used because it's gonna vary across

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the board?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You wouldn't. But you're also walking away from that \$50,000 threshold.

MR. CAMPBELL: You're saying when you get up to that -- I gotcha.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: From Spitzer, one of these vehicles was a used truck.

MR. PLATT: Our two-wheel drive.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'm sorry, I misunderstood. We don't need to worry about that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Who did you talk to at Sarchione, Brian?

MR. BIGGS: Todd.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's on that quote there on the top left.

MR. CAMPBELL: Here's what I think is the proper thing to do at the time. I'll talk to Bill and see if we can keep enough funds to buy a decent used truck for next year. In the meantime, we're looking to repair and keep what we got regardless, so getting some quotes on getting beds fixed and whatever stuff, we have what we have. And if I can get Bill to keep the funds in there and we have the option moving into next year. And we got to fix what we have anyway. Does that make sense to everybody?

MR. SULLIVAN: It doesn't make sense to me. If we don't use it and it's ours, how can Bill say we can't use our own money? How would it go away?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's not going away, it's being re-appropriated. At the end of this year -- at the beginning of the year we carried over 1.6 million. So historically we would carry over a little bit more. The last couple years we went from dropping \$40,000, dropping \$80,000, right now we're going to be dropping about \$200,000 out of our carry-over. So you're 1.6 plus what you anticipate bringing in gives you your operating budget. So for next year we've tweaked out the General Motors factors and we've plugged in the LEC factors. At the end of next year, using our carry-over with what we anticipate bringing in, if we're accurate in our speculation, okay, we may end up with \$200,000 to operate in 2020. That is why you're going to have to do multiple things. You are gonna have to go back to LEC, you're gonna have to raise rates.

MR. SULLIVAN: And that's wages and --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: \$200,000 would not cover your wages.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'm asking what --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's your total bank. Whether you have to choose to spend it on electric, water, sewer, gas, that's your total bank. That is what you have in your wallet at the end of next -- that's what we foresee.

MR. SULLIVAN: For everything?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: For everything.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Now you'll bring money in every month.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But right now this month if you look at your list of bills that's on Monday night's Council meeting, you have to sell to get money to bring money in. Our list of bills is \$444,000

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because of us having to pay the water for LEC. That is why I have to bill them and collect it in the same month to be able to, or else you're done 2020, you're \$200,000 in the hole. And is Council gonna fund you?

MR. CAMPBELL: They'd have to. But you see the point of it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But -- and it's -- we did honestly try to -- Bill actually took the full what we thought we would see in January and February as two full months from General Motors. We don't feel that there's gonna be two good months from General Motors. But there's so little coming out of LEC, it's not -- it's pathetic. You know, our sales we're paying, paying, paying but you're getting so little of that to keep. And when we close the year, I mean, he plans on having on the 19th all the bills should be due in. So when we get our figures on the 21st, we should have a pretty good idea of where we stand minus those payments that will trickle in if he deposits them after Christmas. But those are so small, there's only \$40,000 out there in Cycle 1 billing. And some of them people will pay right away. And some of them are not gonna pay until after the new year, they'll pay right before it's due or after it's due.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's funny. I see Arno on T.V. saying it would be less than 20 percent of our budget.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, that's a different thing. All right. So that's, I think, a good plan of attack at this point. Let me talk to Bill, let me see if I can get some money set for '19. And I'm gonna push for 30.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'll make a couple calls for you.

MR. CAMPBELL: Do you gentlemen think 30 will be enough to get a decent used truck?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: If you're gonna ask him for 30 you're gonna have to have money to fix brakes because 30 is your auto fund. Unless you tell him 30 just to purchase --

MR. CAMPBELL: That's what I'll focus on.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Just make sure how you ask that.

MR. PLATT: Say trying to figure -- if you say 30 for the purchase and then 10 for repairs --

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MR. SULLIVAN: -- of the other trucks --

MR. PLATT: Yeah, the other three trucks, to repair the bodies and our shopping list for the pick-up truck usually winds up being the -- like I said the truck that goes out for weed whips and what-have-you.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Okay. Well, I think that's a more -- I guess it's a better way to look at things. Anything else on that? We'll get down to the next item.

MR. BIGGS: I do. What do you need for us? Do you want us to look for used, see what kind of prices?

MR. CAMPBELL: It would be nice to know. Not to go just to -- you got some spare time, make a couple quick calls. You might find some with some beds on there, and we might find one or two out there like oh, this is a really good deal for us. We don't know until we call. And then we have something more concrete to at least go to

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Bill.

MR. SULLIVAN: Are you looking for 4x4?

MR. BIGGS: Ideally, yes.

MR. CAMPBELL: And if you let us know quick, I'll run to him and say here's what we got.

5. Utility Department Building

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Number 5, Utility Department Building.

MR. SULLIVAN: Gone.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, it's gonna --

MR. SULLIVAN: With that, I talked to the Mayor and I talked to Bill, and he said there's a pretty fair possibility that we could get the old United --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: American Way.

MR. CAMPBELL: I never heard of that.

MR. SULLIVAN: He said that he knows -- I think it's gonna be offered to the Village. And he said Council is gonna say no, they don't want it. He said there's a pretty good possibility that --

MR. CAMPBELL: I've never been in that building.

MR. SULLIVAN: He said we got one white elephant down there and we don't want another one.

MR. CAMPBELL: What do you gentlemen know about the building?

MR. BIGGS: It's big. All offices in the front and big open warehouse in the back.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think it would be ideal, don't you?

MR. CAMPBELL: I mean, is it all the heated --

MR. SULLIVAN: Big for your jobs and transferring, probably everything the Village got.

MR. BIGGS: It an overkill for what we need. It definitely would be big if you have more what we need. The offices in the front and open in the back, there's docks and everything.

MR. CAMPBELL: We can pare it down and get our expenses within reason, right? Is there -- I mean, we're not gonna plan on running and using the whole place. So there's things that we can maybe wall off and not have to heat the whole thing.

MR. BIGGS: If we had the money. These are tall ceilings, these aren't -- the front is normal size, the back is just --

MR. CAMPBELL: Big warehouse.

MR. PLATT: Twenty feet.

MR. BIGGS: You're building a wall and a roof and you have a top too. It would be fine, yes, you know, ideal size-wise. It's too big actually.

MR. CAMPBELL: We all know the situation we're in. We're in the place where it's not working well for us, we have no funds to go anywhere else.

MR. BIGGS: I'm not shooting you down. I'm giving you an idea where it is.

MR. SULLIVAN: You could get the Maintenance Department and the Water Department down there.

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MR. CAMPBELL: Oh, I don't know about that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, they have their -- where do they park their trucks in the summer months?

MR. SULLIVAN: Aren't they doing them --

MR. PLATT: Just in the garage there.

MR. SULLIVAN: Don't they park some down at --

MR. PLATT: Kunkle.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yes.

MR. BIGGS: Well, they have that. The ladder truck for the lights, that's down there. They have the Ford that's does the brush hogging and the old fire truck is down there right now, yeah. So --

MR. DIETZ: And they take boats, the trailers down there too, they park them.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, back to the --

MR. SULLIVAN: But anyway, that's what --

MR. BIGGS: They're not in the building.

MR. CAMPBELL: We all know that money's a big thing, so is this something the Village would be buying or is it just --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It would be gifted. It's possible that it will be gifted to the Village.

MR. CAMPBELL: Definitely an opportunity here.

MR. DIETZ: The electric plant owns it, they bought it.

MR. CAMPBELL: So I guess if you guys can, that would make it a pretty high priority to check it out. Like if we're interested start speaking up, because I don't want them turning it down when it's something we have an opportunity we can use.

MR. BIGGS: Is that official, Mike? Where's that coming from?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Bill --

MR. BIGGS: So they may be offering and Council may say no?

MR. SULLIVAN: Bill told me there's a strong possibility. The way I took it from Bill, they were going to offer it to Council and they were going to say they didn't want it.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's what I'm saying. If that comes around, we need to be screaming with our arm up if we want it. I marked it down as something else. Let me know what you guys come up with for the next -- sometime this week would be nice to know we're in or we're out. That's all I need to know.

MR. PLATT: I think I can get a visual on the thing to see if it at least peaks our interest.

MR. CAMPBELL: Good. I didn't know anything about that.

6. I&I

MR. CAMPBELL: Number 6, I&I.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, Bruce will be missed --

MR. PLATT: My apologies for -- you know, I'm sorry, it -- you know, again standard answer, nothing new to report. Yes, we do care about this issue. It's just one of those things that it --

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, I think. But what we got to do is put it from 25th on the list up to 1 or 2.

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MR. PLATT: Yes, we do, you know. And you know, believe me, we have -- it's on our radar all the time, but it just would be one of the things.

MR. SULLIVAN: We do have the equipment we need to move forward.

MR. PLATT: We have the smoke testing equipment, yes.

MR. BIGGS: Except for personnel and the time.

MR. CAMPBELL: And the truck.

MR. BIGGS: Well, we could probably get it there.

MR. SULLIVAN: It's just got to come down to priorities.

MR. DIETZ: Because when the pumping station goes down

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MR. SULLIVAN: That's number one.

MR. DIETZ: That's what they've been fighting for almost, two, three weeks, that one station.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, we've been fighting the I&I for two, three years.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's been five weeks. They lost the pumping station on Election Day.

MR. CAMPBELL: Keep in mind there's two parts to that equation, gentlemen -- I'm speaking to the Board -- is that, you know, we keep pushing on them. But once we have results, then it's time on this Board and Council's side to push and decide what we do. Is it push to residents to make these repairs, and the battles that are gonna come to push residents.

MR. SULLIVAN: We've already told the residents that. We -- did we send a letter.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We had a meeting.

MR. CAMPBELL: I understand that. Everyone's fine until you're knocking on their door and it's gonna cost them \$2,000 to \$8,000 to fix it. That's when the rubber meets the road. To actually get it fixed, there's gonna be pain.

MR. SULLIVAN: In fact, there was a letter sent out before the sewers were put in. Then we sent out a letter after I got on the Board saying that we're gonna be looking into it, and if the repairs needed to be made that we would be responsible for anything out by the street and they'd be responsible for --

MR. CAMPBELL: I understand that. There's still -- to make --

MR. SULLIVAN: And I understand --

MR. CAMPBELL: To make this problem go away --

MR. SULLIVAN: That's just a letter. Once they get it and tell them that letter costs you \$10,000, they are going to be screaming.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'm just saying it's part of the equation.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't see how we're gonna tell the rest of the Village they have to suffer.

MR. CAMPBELL: There's gonna have to be a hard line in the sand and consequences for not getting it done and penalties.

MR. SULLIVAN: You know what Dutton said at the time. You ought to make a tough penalty and \$100 a day if they don't get it done in 30.

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MR. CAMPBELL: It's easy for him to sit there and say a lot of that stuff too.

MR. SULLIVAN: We haven't done that.

7. Imperial Sanitary Sewer Meter Manhole Project

MR. CAMPBELL: Number 7, Imperial Sanitary Sewer Meter Manhole Project. Another big money item. I agree, I -- as many times as we discussed this and spent money on bid projects and currently at it, the Board needs to make a decision on what we're doing with it and report back, because right now we have contractors that have placed bids and --

MR. SULLIVAN: Well I talked to Cindy, and I think our lowest bid was \$67,000.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yes.

MR. SULLIVAN: And if we took that and we feel it's what, nine hundred --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The -- are you talking about the difference in what we bill and what we would bill? Mike come in last week. Chris gave us the thing, the bid. The lowest bid was \$67,500.

MR. SULLIVAN: Gone up from about 32.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah. According to CT's approved pump calculations, we billed in 2018 Imperial \$8,011.03 based on what we feel was I&I in the lift station over there, okay. If we would take the meter that is in place and recording readings now in the pump station, the existing meter, I know there was dispute on accuracy, but that meter for 2018 would have given us a bill of \$8,900. So you're talking \$888 difference, but you're gonna put in a \$70,000 meter to recoup \$888 a year, okay. And we have to assume that those averages of Chris' pump times are right. Is it worth it? And Bruce has said it himself. You put this meter in that's costing \$70,000, the bill continues and it gets worse and Imperial bills get worse. In a perfect world there's no I&I we, they lay new sewer lines, recoup no money at all on the maintenance and everything else. So those are actual figures.

MR. DIETZ: Those were the ones you showed me the other day.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: When you came in I wanted you to see actual. I mean, this is what it is. If you don't understand what it is there, I'll be more than happy to explain the sheet to you. But I think what's in place is not far from what could be done. I'm sure you would have to get Imperial on board with that. But --

MR. PLATT: And --

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, it really wouldn't be much of a change for them, would it?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: \$888 is -- like I said, Chris figured the flow times on the previous year's average daily flow. So hypothetically it's -- that meter's probably not wrong based on Chris' flow.

MR. CAMPBELL: Or much or --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You can argue a thousand different ways, but I'm just showing you numbers. Just what we did and what we could do and the difference.

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MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Bruce --

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, at this time I don't see how we could justify spending the \$70,000. The only question is if we should be able to get the warehouse, wouldn't that run into that same meter pit?

MR. PLATT: Yes.

MR. CAMPBELL: TJX.

MR. SULLIVAN: Where would we meter it then, right at the plant?

MR. PLATT: What TJX would we meter? There's two ways to do that, either put one of these meters that we're installing so we meter everything coming out of the plant, or you just bill them based like you do the homeowner's, based on their water meter reading, you know. That's kind of what Trumbull County does with Matalco. What they do with Anderson DuBose, they just take their water meter reading that our department provides them and then bills them for the sewer over there at those places.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, would that change where we meter the park.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, if the warehouse were to --

MR. SULLIVAN: Run through there.

MR. PLATT: Run through that lift station at the park, then that meter reading wouldn't be hard to validate and use as a billing meter reading for the park then. They would have all kind of arguments for hey, you know, that how do we know there's no infiltration coming from that side, et cetera.

MR. CAMPBELL: That leads into problems.

MR. PLATT: If TJX were to come towards that park, that meter would probably still need to be installed at the park.

MR. SULLIVAN: That master meter?

MR. PLATT: Yes, uh-huh.

MR. CAMPBELL: But --

MR. PLATT: But if TJX is not gonna come towards the park, then you may be able to get the park to agree to use that meter based on the findings that CT was able to provide.

MR. CAMPBELL: See, part of what we need to keep in mind I think we lost track of a little bit because time has went by, is there is an agreement with Imperial that that -- that this meter pit would be installed and things would be billed off of it. So if -- and things have changed since then and we have figures and stuff to prove it, we can go back to Imperial and say let's look at the agreement again, would you be okay with restructuring the agreement that we don't need this in place, that we can use maybe those calculations or, you know, what's there, the meter that's there, you know, I think that's where it's kind of in limbo. Right now at least we're billing, and we don't know exactly high or low. But I mean, from what we're comparing to what's there it's not that far off to what's being read already. And the ultimate question was nobody was happy with the questionable -- if it was accurate or not, and we're using figures which are actually run time figures, which we know when a pump is running that's what it's putting out. So we've proven from a different avenue it's not that far off. Back to the point, I agree that at this point in time I would like to table the sewer master meter

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pit for Imperial. Just from the expense and what we're looking at, I think it's a prudent thing to do.

MR. DIETZ: Are you making that a motion?

MR. SULLIVAN: I just have one question, and I don't know if it's relevant or not. But the BPA didn't negotiate the master meter pit originally, if I understand; that was done by Council because it wasn't turned over to us yet when the original agreement -- is that right or wrong?

MR. CAMPBELL: No, the Board worked with Imperial on the agreement.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The agreement. I think he's talking about the meter that's in the pump station.

MR. CAMPBELL: That was handed to us.

MR. SULLIVAN: When that was done on the original agreement before it was turned over to us, I think there was the master meter the pit saying that that would be put in.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The Utility Committee did agree to pay half. I don't think there was any -- this additional meter come into play after the design of the sewer. I mean, the sewer was in place but before Imperial connected.

MR. CAMPBELL: You're right, before they connected.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Before they connected there was -- that new agreement came about that said that we'll put in yet a secondary meter. And I hate to say this but this is all I do, meter, meter, meter, meter. And you're not gonna get two meters; upstairs they'll--.

MR. SULLIVAN: To say the same thing.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That is gone. And the other meters we add to the mix, to me it's not gonna make it any better. It's your call. I mean, I do what -- you draw the lines, I play within the lines.

MR. SULLIVAN: The way I understood the thing, Imperial was the one that was really pushing for the pit more than --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, they had no confidence in the meter that was in the pump station is where that all stemmed from. And we needed an agreement with them to move forward, so that's how the whole thing came about. Time has passed, we have some figures, and we can go back to the table and say and I am going to be not ignorant -- no, state that when we bring them back to fix the agreement it will be brought up by the water going into the park; and we have double meter problems and meter, meter. They're paying their bill with it and doing well, but they -- I guess there's no understanding -- they don't believe there's any leaks. And we're like well, we have got water coming in and we have these double meters which we know is somewhat of an issue, but it never comes to a place where we can easily analyze those figures and say we'll be comfortable with splitting the difference and always doing that and moving forward. I mean, that's -- I know that's gonna bring up another aspect of that whole channel, but nothing to worry about right now. So we're on the same page then to cancel or put a hold.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I have you making a motion to table the project.

MR. CAMPBELL: I think Tom seconded.

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MR. DIETZ: I --

MR. CAMPBELL: Did I make it?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Campbell made the motion.

MR. DIETZ: I second it.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: Now what needs to happen, Bill needs to know, then he takes care of it or you take care of it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We need to let Chris know. Chris needs a letter directing him because he'll have to inform the contractors.

MR. CAMPBELL: Would you be able to handle him letting you know, or you're gonna be gone? If you are, I will just do it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: If I don't get it done after the meeting tonight, I probably won't be here again until next Friday.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll take care of it. Does it have to go some big official -- can I send him an e-mail?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I don't think so. He can make the official letter to the contractors.

MR. SULLIVAN: An official letter to the park.

MR. CAMPBELL: No, to the contractors that already placed bids. Because it's been bid --

MR. DIETZ: It been bid on.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think along with that we need a letter to the park set up a meeting.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, you're right. They need to be notified because I think they are under the intention that this is moving forward.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I could be wrong, but I believe that I understood that the withdrawal for the 50/50 share has been withdrawn too. So Council isn't going to pay half of any --

MR. CAMPBELL: I think they're expecting it to be idle too.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: There should be a paper trail.

MR. CAMPBELL: I think it's the right thing to do. It doesn't have to be right away. So if you would put it on the list, even next year, just to have an official letter stating that project's been idled.

8. Water Rate Review

MR. CAMPBELL: Number 8, water rate review. We used that, have a plan for that. Any other discussion on water rate review? Good deal.

9. Sanitary Sewer Rate Review

MR. CAMPBELL: Sanitary Sewer Rate Review. We touched a little on that with some of the public comments that started with the Mayor and aspects along those lines. I mean, I didn't realize you contacted Paul and talked to him about trying to use the other side to justify for --

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah. I don't know how we could justify

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somebody because --

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, I understand that. I'm just saying I didn't realize you talked to him about that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Chris tells you the same thing, so -- you can't just arbitrarily say I want to and do that.

MR. CAMPBELL: I believe we have other figures to justify but not use that.

MR. SULLIVAN: You have to be able to justify a raise.

MR. CAMPBELL: Justify a raise.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't think it would be justification saying they're mad. We may get in a --

MR. CAMPBELL: Back to the justification side of it. And part of what we're doing is balancing our budget and putting manpower appropriately. Refresh my memory. I know we talked about figures and we talked about increasing it, and Bill did something --

MR. SULLIVAN: We did increase it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We were teetering with what percentage, and what Bill put into place was 25 percent.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's what he thought he started with.

MR. SULLIVAN: Is that pretty accurate?

MR. PLATT: I -- I'd say that's still low based on what we've been going through the last couple of months with things and what we see going to have to go through.

MR. SULLIVAN: If you add the I&I?

MR. PLATT: Adding the I&I manpower to that, adding the new things that we have to do to check at each lift station to keep -- make sure that what happened on November -- or yeah, November 6 doesn't happen again to us. You know, there's a lot of factors that are gonna be not really shown on like work orders and things to that effect, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: Do you have any figures that the Board could use for justification? Percentages, hours?

MR. PLATT: We've been keeping daily logs, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's good. Are they digital to where they could be --

MR. BIGGS: I think I did that yesterday. I think it I did that yesterday, and the time.

MR. CAMPBELL: So you would have to go through all those and generate a sheet?

MR. BIGGS: Or you could ask the boss and he'll tell you the personnel. He knows.

MR. SULLIVAN: If 25's not the right number, we need to know what the right number is.

MR. PLATT: Coming forward I think it's gonna be more like 40 percent. In the past, you know, if you were talking to me two years ago, 25 percent would have been twice as much as what we normally do.

MR. CAMPBELL: But it's changed.

MR. PLATT: And in this two years, you know, with adding the power plant and all the things that we have to chase after to make sure everything is well-oiled and flawless, why it's gonna get even more. And the people from Gorman Rupp are real good to show us, you know, here's a checklist, you're gonna have to probably -- you know,

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starting us on the path to being really pro-active on this thing, you know -- or on these lift stations and the likes.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, and that's something we'll need gathered up to take to Council, and there's a justification why we need what we need.

MR. PLATT: Correct.

MR. CAMPBELL: So -- all right. I guess add that to the to-do list of -- or you want to cross it and set it aside? I'll need more than what we talked about here to make an official letter of recommendation of analyzing it, what figures go with that. Very good. Any other questions on that?

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MR. CAMPBELL: We'll move down to Public Comments. Are we good? Public comments?

MS. SCHRADER: Yeah. I've been sitting here listening to all of you. And you know I go to meetings and -- we both go to meetings. But we're not the only ones in this Village that keep track of a lot of things that are going on. And you've been sitting here talking about rate increases and that, about LEC 10 percent. When that went down, everybody here knows a lot of people knew about it, a lot of people were very upset about it, because you need that, you need that money. I feel you need to be -- when you go to talk to whoever you're gonna have to talk to, you need to be totally aggressive and push it and not just well, okay. You need to do your best to try to see what you can do about that.

MR. CAMPBELL: Absolutely agree.

MS. SCHRADER: That's all I have to say.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep, thank you. Any other public comments?

MS. ARLOW: No.

MR. SULLIVAN: Totally agree.

REPORTS:

1. Solicitor's Report

MR. CAMPBELL: We'll get on to reports. Solicitor's Report. Anything from Paul?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No.

2. Engineer's Report

MR. CAMPBELL: Engineer's Report. Chris did provide that. Was there anything we didn't cover? Nope? Nope, nope; we covered everything that he replied with. I appreciate that he did that.

3. Utility Committee Report

MR. CAMPBELL: Utility Committee Report?

MR. DIETZ: I haven't heard of anything.

MR. SULLIVAN: What about what he raised about the \$2,700 billing from CT?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, I'm gonna talk to Chris when I do these other things.

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MR. DIETZ: That's under Members Comment.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, it's under Engineer's report. He can --

MR. DIETZ: All right.

MR. CAMPBELL: Let me put a star with that, make a little note. That was for the bid.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: To October 31.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Sorry.

4. Clerk's Report

MR. CAMPBELL: Clerk's Report.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: My report is very short. You -- I put in your mailboxes your 2019 meeting dates for you to have. You approved those at the last month's meeting. So you have them. Next is we're submitting the notification of the change in operators, which you signed. That's what I had you sign before, and I had it on here for you to sign for the meeting. And last, I will be out of the office probably until December 21. I'll be back for one day, and then probably again one day the following week on the 28th. And that's all the further I can project at this time.

MR. CAMPBELL: So two days, the 22nd and 28th, you'll be in the office?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: 21st and 28th is what my intentions are.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Very good.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.

5. Superintendent's Report

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Number 5, Superintendent's Report. What else didn't we touch upon that you want to touch upon?

MR. PLATT: Just a couple things. We've covered about everything so far. First thing is, in the past we have -- when we've had a water line break or a big -- basically when we have a big job out as far as an excavation or job goes along the side, if it's hot in the summertime why I'll purchase -- go to Dollar General and purchase like a case of water to chill and for the guys to drink at the job site so that we're not having to haul something out, haul cups and all that kind of stuff. And then the other thing that we have to do, if we have to shut a water line down and we're putting customers out of service for any length of time we have to provide them water, you know. The E.P.A. requires us to provide them water. So this past summer we had to shut the line down to the Antonine Sisters adult day care, so went and purchased like six cases of water for them to -- because we were back in service and they still have to do bacteria testing, et cetera. So I buy those, you know, petty cash. That's \$12, \$18 dollars, whatever. It could be a significant amount of money, you know, in our contingency plan. We've gotta make room for truck loads of water, you know, if we're --

MR. CAMPBELL: And you see that on the news, it's happened.

MR. PLATT: So Bill Blank brought that up. He goes you

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really don't have, you know, any kind of --

MR. CAMPBELL: Means to do that.

MR. PLATT: -- means to do that. So he suggested that just for the Board to make a motion to approve a dollar amount for the purchase of water for on the job site or for customers that are out-of-service, okay. So looking back, I've never purchased, you know, more than a few dollars here, \$25. The one for Antonine Sisters was the biggest one, it was I think not even \$30.

MR. SULLIVAN: So if we made a motion not to exceed \$100

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MR. PLATT: I was gonna ask you to make a motion to not exceed \$1,000 because it would -- that would cover what's happened in 2018 and then for all of 2019. And if I spend \$1,000 in -- or if Darren spends \$1,000 in 2019, it will come back and adjust.

MR. CAMPBELL: I think that's appropriate, I do.

MR. PLATT: So if you would make a motion to approve water for job sites and out-of-service customers.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'll make the motion.

MR. DIETZ: I'll second it.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: There you go. All right.

MR. PLATT: All right. And then the second thing, we have a sheet here. I am -- I have to make some quick copies. What I -- it's our figures for the by-pass pumping for our event that occurred.

MR. CAMPBELL: Actually a little more than I expected. I guessed 20 when you were first talking. Well, thank goodness that Gorman Rupp was honorable and stepped up to the repairs on that because they probably didn't give you any kind of figure what they're spending.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, they're not offering any dollar amounts themselves. But to purchase two electric motors would be a total of \$15,000.

MR. CAMPBELL: Just in the motors.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, just in the motors. Those are rebuilt and repaired by the motor manufacturer's distributor themselves, you know, so they come with the same warranty as a brand-new motor.

MR. CAMPBELL: Good, good.

MR. SULLIVAN: Starting over.

MR. PLATT: Yes, pretty much everything is brand-new.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, what I mean is we had -- what is the warranty, two years, five years?

MR. PLATT: Five years.

MR. SULLIVAN: So now that that new equipment went in, we get five more years?

MR. PLATT: No, it will just get us --

MR. CAMPBELL: The rest of what we had.

MR. PLATT: The actual warranty, the five year warranty -- the motor warranty was actually one year on the motor, okay. And with this event being under water, it -- you know, they -- the motor

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manufacturer (making noise), you know. But because Gorman Rupp gave us a five year warranty on our stations and the engines failed, the drain plugs weren't designed to keep water out and, you know, they filled up with water and flooded everything. So you know -- two things, you know. Your first reaction is oh, doggone them. But going through this event, I am so happy that that's who we bought those units from. I mean, Shawn was out here that same night within hours, you know. There were -- it took a little bit of them understanding what was at stake here. They finally -- once the ball got rolling, boom, everything come together, you know, very quickly. It was just the timing and Thanksgiving and, you know, all that stuff and getting things sorted out.

MR. SULLIVAN: Was that caused by the storm?

MR. PLATT: Well, the first thing was the storm caused the power to go out.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. PLATT: The power going out, everything went on standby. And we have standby engines at all three lift stations.

MR. SULLIVAN: But they're generators --

MR. PLATT: No. What they are, they are an engine inside the building themselves, and they have a pulley that goes down to the electric motor that will drive the shift. It's a double-shafted motor. So the engine drives the back of the shaft, and at which spins the pulleys to drive the pump, okay. So the engine comes on. Of course, like anything, an engine produces heat. The building could not dissipate the heat quick enough, so the inside of the building got so hot that the safety -- engine safety overheated, shut the engines down because they were overheating. Well, when that happened you stop pumping and the well fills up. We would -- Lift Station 2 called us first, okay. And by the time we got down there, the engines had cooled enough and we were able to get one engine going. And as we were getting the second engine going, Lift Station 3 called. Darren was there, you know, going from 2 on Salt Springs Road to 3. By that time it had flooded and, you know, there just was so much. And of course, the thing was the power plant was giving us their maximum allowable daily rate at that time.

MR. CAMPBELL: Of course. Of course.

MR. PLATT: So nevertheless, 3 floods, damaged everything, you aren't getting that to come back on. The only thing we could do is overflow it into the creek then, so -- and then wait it out, you know. At the point of us overflowing it I called the power plant. They shut down everything they could, but they can't just turn it all over, you turn it all off.

MR. SULLIVAN: Did it affect the residents then that were running into their --

MR. PLATT: We had stuff go into two homes, into their basements. And it was minimal because we had the door open and it was flowing into the creek and things. So with that, you know, Shawn came out that night. We had a portable pump that could handle the flow there and in operation before 11:00 at night. So we're -- you know, it was flowing. We put probably 250,000 gallons into the creek of raw sewage. But it was very clean, you know, because that's what

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comes from the power plant, you know, so. But E.P.A. had though come out the next day and it had to be reported. I should have reported it that night; but it's the first time it happened, I'm sorry, you know. I got it reported the next morning first thing. So we -- E.P.A. came out and said, you know, yep, looks like what you said happened happened and, you know, how come you don't have a second pump on site. And he goes, you know, what if that one fails.

MR. CAMPBELL: Ding, ding, ding, ding.

MR. PLATT: Called Ohio Cat, and they delivered one by the end of the day. So we had a quiet pump.

MR. CAMPBELL: And a noisy pump.

MR. PLATT: And one that was not quiet. And that -- the quiet pump couldn't quite keep up with the power plant, what they needed to dish out that day. So the -- what we did was we had to use the quiet one as a back-up and the other louder one for -- and then after Thanksgiving why we were able to get it switched around, so. Yes.

MR. DIETZ: Did they make a correction in the houses so they don't overheat again?

MR. PLATT: They're working on that, okay. Like today they were down there, they're installing exhaust fans, one to pull cold air in and the other one to push warm air out, that will operate on 24 volt. Like they had a fan in it, but the fan only operates on 120, you know, or --

MR. CAMPBELL: And you lost power.

MR. SULLIVAN: When the power went out flat.

MR. PLATT: The doors were closed. And the louvers were open but just no air going.

MR. DIETZ: So they learned too from this accident that they had to fix their buildings different.

MR. PLATT: Right, uh-huh. Yeah. And they -- it wasn't -- the warranty guy came out the following week -- yeah, the following week. It took about a week for them to be able to react to that. And that afternoon he said this is our problem, not Lordstown's, you know. Of course, they said they don't cover bypass pumping. And I said we wouldn't have to do that if you didn't overheat, you know. But I wasn't gonna stand there and argue the point with the man that really doesn't have the say-so.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, that's where my point was heading with this. Is all right at this point? I know we've spent and, you know, this is our current expense and it's back to running. This is closed up, correct, from the expense of what you have listed here?

MR. PLATT: Yes. We're no longer --

MR. CAMPBELL: Adding to this?

MR. PLATT: By-pass pumping.

MR. CAMPBELL: The pumps were sent back, there's no more rental fees.

MR. PLATT: They aren't returned yet, but the rental fees stop as soon as you call them and tell them we're no longer using your pumps, you know. So -- and that was like the 3rd or something like that.

MR. SULLIVAN: So that \$16,000 is what we spent --

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MR. PLATT: Yes.

MR. SULLIVAN: -- after the insurance?

MR. PLATT: In looking at this, it's probably \$2,000 -- it should be probably about \$2,000 more because I forgot to include those labor dollars. All of that is about overtime, and I didn't do that at time-and-a-half. So if you would just add another \$2,000 to the labor dollar amount there or just \$2,000 to that bottom line and make it \$18,000. But that only includes the rate, it doesn't include, you know, hospitalization or --

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, yeah, I gotcha. Yeah.

MR. PLATT: Benefits.

MR. CAMPBELL: At this point, I know you talked about the insurance company and how they -- at least the person you were talking to from Gorman Rupp didn't feel they would cover that. So at this point, if we try -- and we have -- we tried and recoup that money at this point.

MR. PLATT: I was just able to get this together today about 2:00 this afternoon. So those figures are --

MR. SULLIVAN: Is there a possibility of recouping that?

MR. PLATT: The one thing that is possible is that this dollar amount might be covered by the Village's insurance, you know. We did have an adjuster out. You know, he came out and I said how about the cost. He goes send us -- you know, I'm the adjuster, send it to us. I don't know that he has say, you know.

MR. SULLIVAN: So we haven't sent him an estimate bill?

MR. PLATT: Like I say, I just put this together today.

MR. CAMPBELL: Keep us informed on how that progresses. I think we push one way or the other. If insurance is gonna cover it, fine. If they are gonna push back or if they cover any part of it, I have no problem; we pursue Gorman Rupp and say here's where we're at with it. At least ask. We wouldn't have had any of this expense if these would have performed as they were designed. And they are repairing the other two. Whatever they find on that they're gonna do on the other two for improvements.

MR. PLATT: They are going to put additional fans in the other two lift stations. Lift Station 1 is operated almost flawlessly. Towards the end of things it did call with a -- one of the engines shut down because of high temperature and I went down there. And by the time I got to it, it had cooled down enough, you know, and it was back in service. Called me to say (making noise) I'm okay now. But what we did find in that one, it got so hot in that building that the plastic -- you know, the plastic receptacles, electrical receptacles actually melted and disfigured and popped the outlet.

MR. CAMPBELL: Wow, that's hot.

MR. PLATT: And it retains its form -- in reading about it, it retains its form until 140 degrees Fahrenheit. So it got at least 140 in that building. The other ones didn't, you know, they shut down fast enough.

MR. CAMPBELL: I guess.

MR. PLATT: But that one, I mean it was -- it's quite an event. They learned a lot, you know. We know. We know a lot about

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what we don't know now, you know, unfortunately, you know, so. But I'll refine that figure, and by the end of the day tomorrow I'll submit it to the insurance adjuster, you know, for that to see if -- what we can have apply there, so.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Anything else?

MR. PLATT: That's all I have.

MR. CAMPBELL: Darren, have you got anything to add?

MR. BIGGS: Well, back to spending money. There is a thing that -- the manometer that will test our fuel pressure coming into the --

MR. CAMPBELL: The gas line pressure.

MR. BIGGS: Because originally we were having issues with that. If the pressure goes too low, they shut down. That's something we're going to need for our maintenance for them to keep checking to make sure everything is okay, and we don't have one.

MR. CAMPBELL: Is that something we could ask Gorman Rupp as the aspect of -- is that pushing it?

MR. PLATT: I think that's --

MR. BIGGS: They don't sell the stuff and they won't maintain it. What do you want them to do?

MR. CAMPBELL: The cost of -- didn't they drop in something that was like here? I thought these were sold and designed to be dropped in ready to go kind of thing.

MR. BIGGS: It is. But if it changes, it's the same thing if the motor runs. We have to change the oil, you know what I mean. It just part of the maintenance. Hopefully nothing ever happens about that, but we've noticed that it that is changed a little bit. So in order for us to check it, the only way we know is if it overheats again and --

MR. CAMPBELL: The stuff that's monitored now on them, right, you said they alerted you guys. Did they provide that system, is it part of --

MR. PLATT: It's part of the SCADA.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's part of the SCADA system we purchased outside of that. That helps me understand. In my mind, if that was something they included as part of the whole kit, then that's something that would fall in that line.

MR. SULLIVAN: So what are you saying, it would be increased maintenance for you?

MR. BIGGS: I would like to be able to purchase one of those so we can continue to do maintenance on the lift stations.

MR. SULLIVAN: What's the cost, just ballpark?

MR. BIGGS: No more than \$500. It's nothing crazy, but it's something we need. I know it's a bad time, but compared to the cost of it if there's an issue --

MR. CAMPBELL: I agree.

MR. BIGGS: It's well worth it. But wanted to ask you guys if that's okay to look around and find something and let me just check.

MR. DIETZ: It's designed to detect low gas pressure coming.

MR. BIGGS: It will not detect anything. We'll be able

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to measure it to see if it's adjusted or not.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's part of their maintenance schedule to check it, and that's a tool to check it.

MR. DIETZ: The amount of the gas pressure coming in.

MR. BIGGS: That's correct, yeah.

MR. DIETZ: Because like in the wintertime you got more houses using gas.

MR. BIGGS: And what we're looking at, you're saying two to three pounds. It's the water column per square inch. But it's so little that it's something we should keep an eye on because we've already had an issue where it actually turned down, ran a little bit too lean and it heated up, yeah. And it didn't cause us any issues, but it has happened and we have nothing to know if we're getting the right amount of pressure in there. There's a regulator inside that we can adjust on them.

MR. DIETZ: I know Mike asked, my generator runs real hot. It's actually where the exhaust comes out it's actually burned the grass away and it's just like concrete there now because there's only six ounces of gallons supposedly comes out the outside of the discharge side of the meter.

MR. SULLIVAN: To answer your question, we'll take care of that if you --

MR. BIGGS: Okay. Just wanted to make sure.

MR. CAMPBELL: Make it part of your maintenance schedule to check.

MR. BIGGS: It's something we're gonna need.

MR. PLATT: The other thing about that is the sewer side really revenue won't be affected so much by the downturn in G.M.

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct.

MR. PLATT: So that's the other --

MR. CAMPBELL: I guess a positive.

MR. PLATT: That's a thing to keep in mind with that.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep. Thank you for that. All right? Anything else?

MR. SULLIVAN: Motion to adjourn.

QUARTERLY APPROVAL OF BILLING ADJUSTMENTS:

MR. CAMPBELL: No quarterly billing adjustments, so woke check that off. All right, now --

MR. SULLIVAN: Motion to adjourn.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

MR. CAMPBELL: No. Any Member Comments?

MR. DIETZ: I made a comment earlier on that bill from CT on the amount to rebid those contracts.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, I put that as a note. I'm gonna talk to Chris about adjusting that.

MR. DIETZ: All right.

MR. CAMPBELL: I hope we get some mercy on it since we're not doing the project, he gives us a little. So yes, starred, noted. I got a lot of stars this meeting. All right. Any other member comments? Sorry I missed that. Good.

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ADJOURNMENT:

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Motion for adjournment was made by Mike. I'll second that. All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Everybody have a Merry Christmas.

(Meeting adjourns at 6:20 p.m.)

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TRUMBULL COUNTY) SS.

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