

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MEETING OF THE LORDSTOWN VILLAGE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
1455 Salt Springs Road, Lordstown, Ohio
March 20, 2018
4:00 p.m. to 6:25 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Kevin Campbell, President
Mr. Michael Sullivan, Vice-President
Mr. L. Bruce Platt, Supt. of Utilities
Ms. Cinthia Slusarczyk, Clerk
Mr. Chris Kogelnik, Engineer

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Ron Radtka, Village Council
Mr. Tom Cowie, Imperial Communities
Mr. Darren Biggs, Village Employee
Mr. Dustin Bowman, Village Employee
Mr. Vincent Goddard, Village Employee

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS taken before me, DEBORAH LAVELLE, RPR, a court reporter and Notary Public within and for the State of Ohio on this 20th of March, 2018.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. I'll call this 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: Roll call please.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Kevin Campbell.

MR. CAMPBELL: here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Thomas Dietz. Michael Sullivan.

MR. SULLIVAN: Here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Bruce Platt.

MR. PLATT: Here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Cinthia Slusarczyk, present. Chris Kogelnik.

MR. KOGELNIK: Present.

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll make a motion to excuse Tom.

MR. SULLIVAN: Second.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

APPROVAL AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES:

February 1, 2018

February 27, 2018

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. We have a couple sets of minutes from February 1 of 2018 and February 27 of 2018.

MR. SULLIVAN: February 1 --

MR. CAMPBELL: Of 2018 and February 27.

MR. SULLIVAN: Make a motion for February 1.

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

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll make a motion for February 27

minutes.

MR. SULLIVAN: Second.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Good on those.

CORRESPONDENCE:

MR. CAMPBELL: Any correspondence?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Any Public Comments from public at this time? What I' like to do is -- and notice, we have our whole crew here, thank you gentlemen for coming. With the projected change of next year with Bruce stepping on to his retirement, I want to take a quick minute and we wanted to kind of just talk with the individual guys. So we'd like to have an executive session just to have a little talk with them. We try to keep it as brief as we can because I know Chris has got a 5:30 he has to take off on, and I don't want these guys to stick around for a hour just looking at us. So I think it might be an efficient usage to do that. **I'll make a motion that we go into executive session to discuss personnel.**

MR. SULLIVAN: Second.

MR. CAMPBELL: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: And then we have to do a call, right?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Campbell.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Dietz. Sullivan.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yes. Do we need to show him excused?

MR. CAMPBELL: I'm calling Bruce, Mike and I; and I want to go through here one at a time.

(The Board goes into executive session at this time off the record.)

(Executive session ends at 4:28.)

MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you everybody for giving us a little space to get through that quick. Appreciate it. All right, are we back and comfortable. All right. So no Public Comments. We'll move on down to New Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A Resolution creating temporary, seasonal, part-time summer positions within the Water Department of the Village of Lordstown for the 2018 season and declaring an emergency.

MR. CAMPBELL: The first one is a Resolution creating temporary, seasonal, part-time summer positions within the Water

Department of the Village of Lordstown for the 2018 season and declaring an emergency. I think the only different -- I think Bruce asked for some additional funds for that.

MR. PLATT: Yeah. We increased it from \$5,000 for the season to \$10,000 for the season. And then the hourly rate, instead of minimum wage, Road Department raised their minimum rate to \$10 per hour and we also raised ours too.

MR. CAMPBELL: I think that's appropriate.

MR. PLATT: Now what that does is that takes that seasonal rate hourly rate above what our permanent part-time individual is being paid.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, we should then raise the permanent part-time, shouldn't we.

MR. PLATT: I would think that that would be appropriate.

MR. SULLIVAN: That doesn't make sense to have a summer help and getting less than --

MR. PLATT: Right, you know. I've always worked the summer help 24 hours.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right. And you work the permanent part-time 28.

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct.

MR. PLATT: We do have in this resolution to work them up to 28 hours if we so choose.

MR. SULLIVAN: But in the resolution do you have the permanent part-time going to \$10 too?

MR. CAMPBELL: This resolution is just summer help.

MR. PLATT: This is separate. So at our next meeting we can maybe get something together for that, but that's the whole pay ordinance that it's part of.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That's last month's. I'm sorry, Mike.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's probably down in your stack. Okay. Do you have any more questions on it? There it is.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. Do you want a motion to --

MR. CAMPBELL: If there's no more discussion I'm ready to go forward with it.

MR. SULLIVAN: So we're asking for three --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: There's no number of employees, it's just for \$10 an hour, up to \$10,000 for the season.

MR. CAMPBELL: Once that's gone, then -- once those funds are gone, then he's done with --

MR. SULLIVAN: They're gone.

MR. CAMPBELL: He's done with the seasonal help.

MR. SULLIVAN: I make a motion to approve the \$10 and --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, just say you approve the seasonal part-time resolution.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

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

(All respond aye.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed.

(No response.)

MS. SLUSARCZYK: This will become Resolution 1-2018.

MR. CAMPBELL: Very good.

(At this time, the Board members sign the Resolution)

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. There you go, Bruce, a little help.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do we still have some of these that aren't signed?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We can do that after.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, those are there for when we finish up. We're good on this one.

2. Imperial Sanitary Sewer Meter Manhole Project

MR. CAMPBELL: Number 2, Imperial Sanitary Sewer Meter Manhole Project. We did meet after our last meeting, and I thought it was a good productive meeting that we covered with Imperial just to go over some ideas and concepts. I'm trying to remember where we left off on that aspect of it.

MR. KOGELNIK: I can refresh if you want.

MR. CAMPBELL: That would be great, I appreciate it.

MR. KOGELNIK: So we looked at the costs of the existing projects that we have. Obviously there was some concern about that cost. Then we looked at another option to install a new meter manhole with just a mag meter in it and not an open channel flue manhole on the force main, and that would -- the benefit of doing that is that we could achieve the objectives of the project and also realize a lower cost to install the meter in a manhole along the force main rather than upstream on the collection system. We would still have an electric power feed coming down and powering the meter, but that would be low voltage. So that was one option we talked about. Then the other option we were considering, which is kind of an all replacement option of the pump station, would be to replace the entire pump station. But that was only predicated on whether or not TJX would flow into, you know, the existing pump station that would create that need, and maybe they could share in some of the cost of that. At this point we don't have a complete understanding of, you know, as to whether or not even TJX is gonna land there. All the hopes are that that happens. And the county actually has an option to serve TJX for sewer there as well. And you know, it's gonna cost a lot of money to just replace the entire pump station. I gave a price tag I think of around \$400,000 at the last meeting to replace that pump station. So you don't want to do that without the help of a developer or some external funding coming in to help that.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MR. KOGELNIK: There needs to be a reason.

MR. CAMPBELL: To spend that kind of money.

MR. KOGELNIK: So those were the options we talked about.

MR. SULLIVAN: How did we get there from putting the manhole in for \$60,000 or whatever the price was.

MR. KOGELNIK: How we got there, Mike, was we just wanted to realize whether or not there was anything more cost-effective, you know. And I also explored as a fourth option -- I don't know if these were in order or not. You wrote them down, I saw you writing them down. A fourth option would have been to replace the valving inside the existing valve vault with electric-actuated valves. And what that does is it controls the column of water being pushed through the pipe so that we don't have those

phenomenon's that we're experiencing right now. So if -- if time is of the essence to build this thing, I would consider a magnetic flow meter along the force main as the option to do that.

MR. SULLIVAN: And the cost of that's what?

MR. KOGELNIK: It's probably gonna be less than the \$60,000 meter manhole that we did. But we're able to possibly utilize that meter manhole that we designed on Highland, okay. We can, you know, use that other idea on Hallock-Young on the force main. So I'm thinking that this option would probably be around \$40,000 to \$45,000 to build that meter manhole on that force main.

MR. SULLIVAN: And that takes away the \$60,000?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes. You won't to have spend the \$60,000 on that meter manhole, okay. So those are the options in my mind. I just don't see that, you know, we're gonna get that option clearly about the replacement of the station and somebody else helping to pay for it. I just don't see that right now.

MR. CAMPBELL: Don't see it happening or see it in a - I know it's not a timely fashion, I know that. You know, it's still pretty early with what's gonna happen with the potential development.

MR. KOGELNIK: It depends on the County.

MR. CAMPBELL: There's two parts to it. One, it has to happen; and two, the County has to work with us to do that.

MR. KOGELNIK: I'll tell you what, the County is being very supportive of the Village right now. I had another meeting with them, and I walked away from that meeting with Gary Newbrough and we were looking at this particular project at Hallock-Young. And he says Chris, what do you think, what are our options for sewer. And I told him, I says we have the capacity here in the east side sewer system to fit this development, we have to just re-route a few sections of sanitary sewer. And I says the other option is you guys just connect to your immediate sanitary sewers right there.

MR. SULLIVAN: So that would go right into the trailer park.

MR. KOGELNIK: Pump station. And then be pumped along underneath the turnpike and along Hallock- Young over to your east side sewer system.

MR. SULLIVAN: Would that make it more difficult to monitor what's coming out of the trailer park?

MR. KOGELNIK: No, because we would fix the meter problem inherently with that pump station.

MR. CAMPBELL: We fix a lot replacing that station. There's a lot of benefits too.

MR. KOGELNIK: You guys have been finding a reason to replace that station.

MR. CAMPBELL: It wouldn't match the other three, number one. It's a much better design. It fixes some issues with that pump station. So I guess the bigger question is I know Imperial's part of the mix so, you know, what do we do until then. Are they okay with the current billing method we've been using on the calculation?

MR. COWIE: We had talked about that at the workshop.

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct.

MR. COWIE: And I mean, if it's in place and we -- it's possible that we can give that enough time to see if TJX comes to fruition or not then, you know, we can work with that

for, you know, the next couple months to see what happens there.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MR. COWIE: A couple of our concerns with the other options of say putting one over 45 or wherever down on the force main, your concern -- because you are concerned with I&I because we believe that pump station leaks some in the wet well. Go there and all those pipes going all the way over to 45, and we don't know the integrity of that. And then you're gonna bill us at the end of that, you know, for anything that may leak into that system.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay.

MR. COWIE: I mean, that would be a concern of ours, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah. I don't know how much there is.

MR. COWIE: And we don't either. I'm saying that's our concern with our system -- that's our concern with your system.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's fair.

MR. SULLIVAN: If the County did it, they would go right into that manhole on Bailey.

MR. KOGELNIK: Somewhere near there. I don't know exactly there.

MR. SULLIVAN: You know, in the lawsuit, if you remember, they were saying the County could go in -- their argument when they took it to court is they were already prepared to do that with that manhole that's already in, and we said it wasn't deep enough to handle it.

MR. KOGELNIK: I don't -- from what I understand the lawsuit issues are behind us, okay. I mean --

MR. SULLIVAN: They are --

MR. KOGELNIK: Even the County is really cooperating with you. I mean, they didn't have to tell me or ask me hey, Chris, what are our options for sanitary; they could have just told me you're coming into our system, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's a good sign, you know.

MR. KOGELNIK: So I think that was good. And you're right, we don't have everything spelled out for that development right now. It might be too premature, but --

MR. SULLIVAN: Is there a second choice?

MR. KOGELNIK: Well, there was four alternatives I laid out there.

MR. SULLIVAN: No, no, I'm not talking about the sewer. I'm talking about rather than having it there, moving it to another place in the Village. Is that an option or no?

MR. KOGELNIK: No. Nope.

MR. SULLIVAN: I kind of thought when they moved the meeting that maybe that's why they did it.

MR. KOGELNIK: So if you were -- the BPA --

MR. CAMPBELL: I'm understanding now, sorry.

MR. KOGELNIK: -- is respectful of the concept and concerns of Imperial about infiltration and, you know, recording it. That means we have to address it at the source, at the pump station, or just immediately upstream of the pump station.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah.

MR. KOGELNIK: So if that's gonna be the selling point of this particular project, we either have the option to fix the pump station or install the meter as per Plan A.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well --

MR. COWIE: I don't mean to be -- you know, that's just -- it's a fair concern because we don't know the integrity of that. It was put in, dug up, put in again. We don't know.

MR. PLATT: That could be pressure tested though, could it not?

MR. KOGELNIK: Which section, Bruce?

MR. PLATT: The force main from the lift station to the first area.

MR. KOGELNIK: It might not be easily practical, but it definitely could. Seriously.

MR. COWIE: And the well itself, I mean, you guys have rehabbed some other pump station issues with --

MR. KOGELNIK: I'll tell you this right now, you would be hard pressed to find that pump station, wet well and the force main to have an issue with regard to infiltration or exfiltration. I don't think you're gonna find that. So that's my opinion. But we have to respect your perception there.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, I think we're at the point where we're still on the unknown for the new development in the area there. So Paul's right with Imperial to just sit tight with our current bill situation and see if it plays out. It might work very well for us. And if not, we're still at the options we just discussed. I think the option of getting something really good that fixes it is worth shooting for.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think whatever the option is we ought to go to them and say you need to partner with us, whether it's \$60,000 or \$400,000.

MR. KOGELNIK: If it's a pump station replacement, yeah.

MR. SULLIVAN: Whatever. Even if it's not the replacement, if we just update it.

MR. KOGELNIK: If we don't do anything that doesn't benefit them they're not going to be willing to pay for it.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, it's gonna benefit them.

MR. KOGELNIK: Not if we would put a master meter where we were intending to make it we won't owe them at all. Do you understand that?

MR. SULLIVAN: Huh-uh.

MR. KOGELNIK: That meter manhole was going to go through where almost all of Imperial came through the meter. That meter wouldn't help determine the flow of that development up there at all. It wouldn't.

MR. COWIE: But at this point, I mean, you're still getting paid based on the mathematical --

MR. CAMPBELL: That's why I want to make sure you guys are okay with continuing that.

MR. COWIE: I don't have a problem with that if you guys can hold tight and see what happens over there. it's not like you're collecting anything now, I mean. You're getting --

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct. And hopefully get something big as part of a solution that fixes a problem from both sides.

MR. SULLIVAN: But if it does come to fruition, we need to have a plan in place to tell them.

MR. KOGELNIK: And even if the development doesn't come through, I'd like to understand from the Village's standpoint whether or not they're gonna submit for an OPWC application here.

Because if they're not and you really do want to replace this pump station, you can ask for a good chunk of that, maybe half of that, this year. You should consider that. But it doesn't sound like you're hard pressed to do that right now. You've got some options.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah. But if that was the case and we're talking about the \$400,000 and they pay \$200,000, we'd have to go to Council and say are you interested in the other half.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, you would have to do that because the OPWC is gonna want to see a local share. I'll talk about the meter that's going on Highland in my Engineer's Report.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Hope we can get there before you have to leave.

3. Asset Management Plan

MR. CAMPBELL: All right, number 3, Asset Management Plan. I know that we were working putting stuff together from that aspect of it. Are there any updates? We want to just keep it on there because, you know, the due date's approaching.

MR. PLATT: Well, you saw at the last meeting we had the I Am GIS up there on the screen a little bit. We also have Darren and Dustin both scheduled to attend some asset management classes, seminars. And they're in May I think.

MR. BIGGS: If -- the next one is beginning of April and there's one after that toward the end of May.

MR. SULLIVAN: And you were gonna send one at a time, right.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, yeah, yes. We're kind of moving forward on that a little bit, getting our thoughts in mind.

MR. CAMPBELL: As long as we keep doing something with it.

MR. SULLIVAN: But you have to present that to the E.P.A.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, we have to submit our plan to the E.P.A, by October 1 it has to be in place. But we've got an e-mail notice from the E.P.A. last week telling you to keep it on your radar, you know, keep it on your radar.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. PLATT: And they said the thing that they're gonna be concentrating on is the valve maintenance program, okay. That's the first order of business that everything's not even finalized yet for that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. PLATT: So they have said at least -- we at least want to see a valve maintenance plan, okay, so.

MR. SULLIVAN: What kind of water are they talking about if that --

MR. PLATT: I'm sorry?

MR. SULLIVAN: If that warehouse would come in, what kind of water --

MR. PLATT: Nobody has talked to me about the water or sewer yet.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right now we wouldn't have the capacity if it's a large amount.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, we can pump 150 gallons a minute in the Pritchard-Ohltown station. So there's only 1,440 minutes in a day, so if you do the math there's not a lot of water going over

there in a day.

MR. SULLIVAN: It would be a concern. You almost would have to run another line, wouldn't you?

MR. PLATT: You'll to have speak to the engineers to solve that issue.

MR. KOGELNIK: They did tell us that they were going to have a stand pipe on their property.

MR. SULLIVAN: What's that?

MR. KOGELNIK: A stand pipe, a water stand pipe for storage. The idea there is you fill it slowly and check your pressure and volume off that. They haven't showed it to us yet. I just received another concept plan today, and it didn't have it on there. So we need to really make sure they understand what we can provide and what they have to fill in a gap on.

MR. PLATT: We can't just throw bigger pumps in the pump station over there because that would drop the pressure too low on the back said of the pumps. Everybody on down 45, you know, Cassens, people, you know, it affects the whole water system then. So just the bigger pump, it is not a solution. I mean, the water can get over there, but it's gonna take more than Bruce figuring it out. I think so.

MR. CAMPBELL: Do we have anything else on the asset management?

MR. PLATT: Nothing, no.

4. A Resolution approving a work authorization with CT Consultants, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$21,500 to perform a water system model update for the Village of Lordstown's water utility system

MR. CAMPBELL: We're down to a resolution for the water model, which is coming along, some of the things that we were just talking about that that could be used. I know you sent me a replacement, I think you said.

MR. KOGELNIK: I talked to Bob and Ron. We ended the conversation, but you guys need to go talk with each other and get back to me.

MR. RADTKA: The way it was left last night is, you know, Mr. Bond's the chair and he wants to get with the rest of the Utilities Committee, set up a meeting, have a discussion of the three options.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, there was three phases in the study.

MR. RADTKA: And possibly getting a hold of you guys to discuss the formula, how you guys came up with your percentages and just to get some information.

MR. KOGELNIK: If I may, one, just in general without going into the detail, there were three phases. The first phase dealt with the existing system and understanding the existing system and what needs to happen.

MR. RADTKA: We're talking the whole Village.

MR. KOGELNIK: And the Section 2 phase dealt purely with planning on future growth and future needs. So we felt that those two phases were more geared towards the concept of planning for the Village and whatnot. And they didn't really -- they didn't pertain so much as to what the BPA looks at such as in Phase 1. And we took a look at how much money we were planning to spend in Phase 1, 2 and 3, and we came up with that. Now again,

it's a purely subjective view on my point. You could argue that this might not be a good case.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. I guess at this point review and let us know. If you're comfortable, we'll move forward.

MR. SULLIVAN: Maybe we ought to just set up a work session.

MR. CAMPBELL: Let him take a chance to look at it first.

MR. RADTKA: Bob didn't get with me today. He said he wants to talk to Chris and get a hold of the rest of the committee.

MR. KOGELNIK: I'll say this. This is an important part of what you guys are doing. Bruce and I have been talking about this for a couple years, and thankfully it's really gonna happen. But just to make yourselves comfortable about it, you should get Bob McNutt in here and have him give a little presentation about what you're gonna get in the end. You would really be able to say this is what the BPA needs to pay for, that's what Council and the Utility Committee should pay for.

MR. RADTKA: This is Bob --

MR. KOGELNIK: McNutt. He's out of our Akron group. He's helped Bruce with several water-related issues.

MR. RADTKA: At this point it might be a good idea, like you said, to have a work session.

MR. CAMPBELL: If we're having one that sounds like the way to go, to have Bob.

MR. KOGELNIK: There's a lot of things in here I can't speak on, but he just rolls.

MR. RADTKA: I'll touch base with Bob on that tonight.

MR. CAMPBELL: Any questions on that one?

5. Water Rate Review

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Number 5, water rate review. This is March, and this is what we do every year in March. Cindy put together just a high level sheet of we were in the hole about \$142,000 and we were plus with sewer \$50,000. We discussed options of taking and start your original division labor and start having some funds directed towards the sewer, which made sense because right now water you can hit on all sides of that. Because I don't want to replace people's salaries or their pay, but we could use names. I was thinking either Darren or Vince we would start using, if we just take their whole salary and pull it out of the sewer. If they are assigned to sewer and their funds are coming out of that side of it.

MR. PLATT: I'm not real particular how we do it, but it's real important that we get that done, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: Does it make sense which one, Vince or Darren, would be more appropriate to because one particularly works more on sewer, or is it pretty much split? If it doesn't matter, it doesn't meter.

MR. PLATT: I don't think it matters. One day one guy's on it, and another day at other times another guy is on it.

MR. CAMPBELL: I know we need to check with Bill.

MR. SULLIVAN: It would be more of a paper thing.

MR. CAMPBELL: It would be a paper thing. The guys wouldn't know anything different. Just from our funding we would

separate the position.

MR. PLATT: As long as it doesn't affect what that person's dedicated, you know, by some auditor or somewhere.

MR. RADTKA: Is this an opinion that the auditor would --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, as of right now they are all under water, I mean, so -- which isn't proper either.

MR. RADTKA: Or is the auditor just concerned about a person, not just a single individual.

MR. CAMPBELL: Either way it doesn't work out from what we're doing. We got to start that division because there really isn't anything coming out that way from that side. We're gonna start at least to make some funds come from that side of it.

MR. SULLIVAN: And as things grow, we might have to have two separate water and sewer.

MR. CAMPBELL: The work force may end up more and we end up with a supervisor for water, supervisor of sewer. I can check with Bill about how much he's gonna wig out about that idea. So let me do that.

MR. PLATT: You know, in fairness to all the residents, you know, that are water customers, I really think it needs to happen, you know. Money, payrolls gotta start coming out of sewer.

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct.

MR. PLATT: Because it is a fake profit, you know.

MR. SULLIVAN: And what could happen is we end up raising the water rates.

MR. PLATT: That's what you're considering right now. And it needs to happen, you know. If you need to raise the sewer rates, then Council needs to raise the sewer rates.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. PLATT: And if they have no expenses, they have no reason to raise the sewer rates.

MR. SULLIVAN: Or they would have no reason to raise the water rates either, right?

MR. PLATT: You know, shift some of that -- you know, some of the payroll from last year, all of a sudden sewer's losing money and water has made money. So you have to wash it out there.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. So I think we're on the same page there. I think it's a good direction. I think it's cleaner to take one whole person than to try to do division of -- how do you start dividing up stuff.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I will say that Darren might be able to add to that. In the Parks and Streets, Building and Grounds, there's actual time cards and they submit the hours they've done in the different --

DARRIN: And we have nothing to do with that. That was a percentage that came out of the Building, percentage that I'm out of Grounds.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It could be assigned through payroll.

DARRIN: Debbie just took care of that and it was a personnel -- I mean --

MR. CAMPBELL: Let me talk to Bill. In my mind, it would be easier to have one person that way. And if he wants to say take one person and it's a percentage --

MR. PLATT: In the department we were talking about percentages, what do you think, what do we think. We come up with

anywhere 30 to 40 percent of our time is spent on sewer, you know. Sometimes it's little more, you know, and sometimes it's a little less, you know. So if this would be a way to, you know, just do okay, here's the payroll for this week and 30 percent goes toward sewer, you know --

MR. CAMPBELL: I'll talk to Bill, see how he wants to handle that.

MR. PLATT: And that way you're not playing with some idea and somebody going hey, what's he doing in the water, he's supposed to --

MR. CAMPBELL: I mean, that's why I said that could be used against us right now.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But that's where the auditors have a condition.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's why I said I'll talk to Bill and see which way he wants to handle that. Regardless, we're directing some funds over to the sewer side which will hopefully help with the bottom line for next year. We have a situation with G.M. not running production and one of our bigger customers, we're not bringing in the funds we have over the years. And let's be honest with you, I don't think with the current gas prices that the plant is gonna be picking up any time soon. So at least for the next coming year, you never know what happens, but we gotta plan for what we're gonna do this year into next year. These are just roughly figures on what we sold total last year. And this is not -- it's a ballpark because we have a tier effect with, you know, some of our larger customers. So the numbers that I discussed are gonna generate actually more than what we get is what I'm saying. So for example, if we raised our water rate 50 cents per thousand, I have it calculated at about \$124,000 revenue increase, but it will not be there because customers that are larger have a discount so it's gonna be less that. But it gives us a little bit of idea of raising the rate. I do believe that we need to raise the rate at least to some degree just because of the situation we're in with the unforeseen revenue coming from LEC is going to come on pretty soon. But we know the funds just aren't gonna be there to help really, you know, just having a bunch of funds come in because they are online now, it's just not gonna be there. So with that being said, we're looking at a rate increase at some level. I know the asset plan when it's in its entirety will give us more information that we can use to make better decisions on rate and adjustment. But as we discussed, we're putting that together now. So what we have before us are, you know, we went negative last year \$142,000. I don't really foresee a lot of substantial increase. The other aspect of, you know, what would we do to cut costs. That's another aspect of what you do to help alleviate some of the pain. But I don't know if there's much we can do of cutting some costs from what we discussed, the avenue of personnel and Dustin preparing for our shift next year with personnel. If anything, we'll be adding personnel costs this year. And that's just the nature of where we're at. I don't know how to describe where we're at. So what are you comfortable with thinking of for a rate -- I mean, I ran anything from 10 cents, which is basically \$25,000, up to 60 cents, which is basically \$150,000.00. Again, those are over what we'd actually get, but it give us an idea of increasing the rate.

MR. SULLIVAN: And again, we know it's gonna be our

biggest water customer -- no matter what we do we're not touching them, right?

MR. CAMPBELL: No, we're in contract with that. That's gonna be what it is.

MR. SULLIVAN: But we do the aluminum plant and G.M. and all that that don't even use ours. That's crazy.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well again, the situation we're in, I mean we can't change as all aspects, only what we can change. And we know we're not putting away funds and getting ahead of the game like we need.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, we raised them 96 cents --

MR. CAMPBELL: Sixty-one I believe it was last year.

MR. SULLIVAN: It was 91, and then when we put G.M. in it went to 65 I think, didn't it?

MR. CAMPBELL: I thought we raised them 61 cents last year total.

MR. SULLIVAN: Maybe it was 61.

MR. CAMPBELL: The bulk of that was because our Niles water rate had increased.

MR. SULLIVAN: When you brought the -- it wasn't you, but one of your guys recommended 97 cents. But that was without G.M. in the picture, and we decided to put them in.

MR. CAMPBELL: Oh, I see what you're saying. Yes, I remember that. We had -- we realized that that doesn't function for our system to start separating the water rate based on that aspect. It's a water rate for all our customers, period.

MR. KOGELNIK: If you need to raise the rates to cover your existing cost, that's one aspect. And the future aspects are yeah, you're right, that will help tell you some of that. But you're probably gonna be raising them again to cover that. That's the fact.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's the fact, there you go. So our question to ourselves is at what level --

MR. KOGELNIK: Growing pains.

MR. CAMPBELL: At what level do we want to increase them. Last year I believe it was 61 cents that we increased it. If we increase another 60 cents again this year, according to my rough calculation that puts it at --

MR. SULLIVAN: That puts it at what?

MR. CAMPBELL: We're currently at -- per thousand at the lowest level of the tier is 5.66 per thousand. That's what our inside rate is, and of course the rates all fluctuate over that. If we add another 60 cents that's 6.26, right? That's another substantial rate increase, there's no two ways about that. So as Paul said, I mean, we do have justification in facts and figures to show why we're looking at it. That figure would get us roughly covering the negative we were this year, and by moving some of the expense from water to sewer hopefully gives us to where we're starting to see back on the plus side. I mean, we made our best guess last year and adjusted. The previous year we had a lot of flushing; and with the improvements to the water tanks we were hoping to, you know, be closer to the flushing this year.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, the water tanks are what, 16 cents I think per thousand on the --

MR. CAMPBELL: I think that's what it was that we added on top of the Niles rate increase.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. CAMPBELL: So, I don't know. I mean, that's my evaluation of it. I don't know if you put some thought into. I mean, if I foresaw that we had a big customer coming online and it was really gonna help us out, it would be a little different picture to sit tight. But I just don't see our current situation dramatically improving.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, our flushing will go down some this year with our mixers and our tanks and the likes. But that's not a significant -- you know, it's not gonna come down \$100,000 or the likes, you know, because we still to have flushing for sediment and --

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, you know what kills me. When we did the 61 cents last year Hill comes and says, you know, we've never raised the rates. That's true because Council come in and paid it, you know, made up the difference. And now they're not doing that and he's coming and saying well, what are you raising the rates for.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, that's been -- you know, our rates have supported us since about 2006.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. PLATT: You know, that's when we became self-sufficient, you know, somewhere around that year, you know, so.

MR. CAMPBELL: And we've had that, at least since I've been on the Board. Last year was our biggest rate increase by far that we can remember.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It was the biggest.

MR. CAMPBELL: We've had smaller ones over the years, but it wasn't substantial.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't know if you were here -- were you here when he came and --

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes, yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But that -- if the rate was passed on to us, they were passed on to the residents.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. CAMPBELL: We're talking actually an increase over top of what we're buying water for.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah. We actually thought when we did the 61 cents it would kind of move us pretty close to the black.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And it -- you had additional expenses you incurred last year with the upgrades to the water towers.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. CAMPBELL: Correct.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: So --

MR. CAMPBELL: And that's not in that figure.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, one is.

MR. SULLIVAN: It is in the last year 61 cents.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Bailey Road expenses were in that figure.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes, for that. I'm talking for this year there was -- there was money that was set aside for what, in my mind, was what we're paying for the tank improvement program. Now the part that we put into the rate was on the going part that's paid every year. But that part that gets them up to snuff and code and improvement we were planning on just pulling out of our funds because that's what you save your funds up for is how I looked at it, and if you can keep the other part flush and if

there's a rate increase to cover the ongoing maintenance.

MR. SULLIVAN: We're in the black on the sewer side.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's \$52,000 up on sewer with \$142,000 down on water. But there's no wages pulled out of sewer. That's why we want to pursue that aspect of it, and then we can -- you know, we can make a recommendation to Council to say the sewer rate needs to increase because here's why; and we've got some figures to show them and personnel that's tied a person to it that validates it. So I don't know. I mean, you're the person on the Board and we have to live with the consequences of making our decision. I know there was substantial feedback last year. Cindy showed me some colorful bills in response to it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And I can tell you, there's comments internally "they raised the water rates because of the inability to operate the department properly".

MR. CAMPBELL: Everyone has their opinion like I said before.

MR. KOGELNIK: So your idea or your thought, Kevin, was to possibly balance that by way of allocating staff time to both water and sewer and coordinating that with Bill?

MR. CAMPBELL: I want to talk to Bill and see -- my idea was just to take a person and associate it to sewer. And if he says it's more proper, I'd rather do a person. And even if we're not getting to the 30, 40 percent or whatever it is that they're actually doing at sewer, at least take a percent and start heading in that direction. And then at least we have something to go back to Council and say we're spending more time than that and we still don't have the funds to cover it, you really need an separate increase to help justify it. And right now other than just telling them that we need it, we have no figures to back it up --

MR. SULLIVAN: When does LEC actually plan on being done or ready to go?

MR. KOGELNIK: Mike, they've told us for months that they were ready. So we're hoping that it's any month now.

MR. PLATT: Yeah, at the end of February they said it would be at least 30 days, you know, before they start seeing water flowing. They've been gonna take water since November 14, you know, from the 24 inch, you know, so -- and it just --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, are they taking water maybe from Warren or not -- just not taking water at this point?

MR. PLATT: Some water from Warren maybe just to flush the toilets.

MR. CAMPBELL: Not real volume-wise.

MR. PLATT: We've done a lot. Sadly the construction water is gonna go away, you know, with that site, you know. We get a premium for that water out of the fire hydrants down there and the likes, you know, so.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah. It doesn't help the situation.

MR. PLATT: It's not gonna help the situation definitely, so.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I just would like to say it's a quarter after, and I know Chris has to leave at 5:30. If you have want to do a work session, maybe meet at that work session for part of it for the water rate.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, that's a good point. I presented what I was thinking. Do you have some thought into it? I know

just the two of us at this point, we gotta make a decision.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think it's a no-brainer that -- to move them into two separate categories, you know, move --

MR. CAMPBELL: That part. But what do you want to do with the water side? That doesn't fix our problem. I mean, we either increase the water rate or we find ways not to spend.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think what you said, the 60 cents, 61, or make the recommendation.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, that's -- that went up to at least cover that aspect. I mean, there's other avenues we can pursue. Maybe a work session is a smart way to --

MR. SULLIVAN: With Council or -- I think we should -- or at least Utility.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, I think you need to meet on your own at first.

MR. CAMPBELL: I say that aspect rather than going right to Council.

(Tom Cowie leaves the meeting at this time.)

MR. RADTKA: But on the water side BPA set the rates. On the sewer side, Council --

MR. CAMPBELL: They would like a recommendation from the BPA on the situation. Basically present figures to show --

MR. SULLIVAN: And it's Council's responsibility to --

MR. CAMPBELL: It's up to them to go yeah or nay. Since we have limited time with Chris, give it some more thought then. And while we're on the same subject, did you get a chance to grab any things that were missing for that sheet that we needed?

MR. KOGELNIK: No, I didn't, Kevin, not for this.

MR. CAMPBELL: I know we had a few things we wanted to add.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you have a recommendation as far as the water?

MR. KOGELNIK: I don't have a figure to recommend. I think Kevin's right, you need to meet as a group and iron these details out with the water.

MR. CAMPBELL: Best we can with what we've got. We don't have an asset management plan in place where here's all your assets and where they're going.

MR. KOGELNIK: You guys are talking about what we would do in a water and sewer rate study. We would look at current expenditures; current needs, what developments are coming in, the LEC and that new little residence development that might pop up right around the corner here, that development. And then we'd also look at what it's gonna take to sustain the Village over the next 25 or 30 years and we would show, okay, now we need to increase it 50 cents, and in seven years when this development comes in we're gonna need to raise it 75 cents because that project's coming in and I gotta pay for it. That's how we normally build those things. You're doing the same thing, it's just you're doing it in work session fashion.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep, okay.

MR. SULLIVAN: We talk about all these things coming in, but we don't have any water to give them.

MR. CAMPBELL: That's why the water model.

MR. KOGELNIK: There's a lot of things in motion here, Mike. Yes, you got a lot of stuff going on with the water and sewer side. We'll get to it.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. All right. Well then, I'll make a note for that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you want to try to pick a date?

MR. CAMPBELL: Not right now. I'll have to look at my calendar. It's tight. Without actually looking at it there's no sense picking a date. I'll send an e-mail around and see what comes out of it. All right. So Chris, what have you got for us before you head out the door?

REPORTS:

2. Engineer's Report

MR. KOGELNIK: All right. With the Rules and Regulations there was a \$2,000 work authorization they'd submitted. It was about a month ago or something like that. You had asked me to revise it. Did you get that approved or signed? If you have a copy of it, I'd like it.

MR. CAMPBELL: I know we approved it at our last meeting.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's what I told my contracting group.

MR. CAMPBELL: But I don't think you had it here to sign. I don't remember signing it.

MR. SULLIVAN: We didn't.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: He revised it after the last meeting. And it's more than \$1,000, so it has to be done here.

MR. CAMPBELL: So I sign here?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Lordstown Water.

MR. KOGELNIK: Parallel to it, like I did.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's to pay CT?

MR. KOGELNIK: What this accounts for is the Water Regulations because we started off with just these, the Sewer, and we are also updating your Construction Standard Details.

MR. CAMPBELL: Is today's date fine?

MR. SULLIVAN: Are we there on the Water Regulations.

MR. KOGELNIK: The Water Regulations we're close. But the Sewer Regulations, we have some content to still edit.

MR. CAMPBELL: What else you got, sir?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Do you want to do it verbally?

MR. CAMPBELL: We did at our last meeting. Our last meeting we did. We just didn't have the paperwork to follow-up with it.

MR. KOGELNIK: So the Water Regulations, Mike, you heard me that we're real close to having these done. The Sewer Regulations, we have some content items that we still have to work through. Now the Construction Standard Details, we gave a copy of those to Bruce, he's working on them. So we're almost done with those as well. So we're getting close.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MR. SULLIVAN: So just next meeting or --

MR. KOGELNIK: Or that work session that's coming up. Yes, we talked about that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I'll e-mail that to you tomorrow morning.

MR. KOGELNIK: The Water Model update. So we'll have

Bob come in, maybe at that next work session.

MR. CAMPBELL: It feels like another meeting.

MR. KOGELNIK: You've got a lot going on, growing pains. And let's see. Just a small update on the Highland Avenue sanitary sewer project. As you know, we're kind of idle on that project because we're evaluating an idea to connect to the County's interceptor sewer. Met with them just recently and talked a little bit about that project. They haven't given us exact figures right now, but he wanted me to tell you that this is a unique circumstance that they don't have anywhere else in their jurisdiction. But they're willing to work with BPA and the Village to carve out a fair cost to connect to the interceptor sewer. They wouldn't charge you their metro rate, which is I guess their in-city rate.

MR. SULLIVAN: All I know is the last time we were thinking that it would be like a quarter or 50 cents per thousand, and they came back and said that they wanted \$1,700 for every house that was on the east side sewer.

MR. KOGELNIK: Gary did not say that at all today.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's good. Did he come with a rate per thousand?

MR. KOGELNIK: He didn't give me those specific things. But what he did say is what I told you, and he also wants to come to a meeting and talk to you so you can walk away from that with an understanding of what the cost is gonna be. So he's ready, willing and able to meet with you to do that. He did say metro rate plus maybe 10 percent to connect. Now again, you're using their interceptor sewer to convey your waste water from those 26 dwellings over to Warren, so it's gonna have some sort of a user fee there.

MR. SULLIVAN: I understand that.

MR. CAMPBELL: Wasn't that with Utilities Department and them? Usually they say it's done, here's the agreement.

MR. KOGELNIK: It is, Kevin. I'm just trying to let you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: I thought we might have been missing something.

MR. KOGELNIK: But remember, Mike said costs are critical, guys. So I went to the Trumbull County Sanitary Sewer Department and talked to them. They seem very cooperative.

MR. CAMPBELL: Let's hopefully keep that one.

MR. SULLIVAN: See, we wanted to send the whole east side and finance -- we would have been able to go through that interceptor, we would have sewerred all the way down to --

MR. KOGELNIK: That's what you guys told me about.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right, at Tait and Highland.

MR. KOGELNIK: But listen, we're working our way towards a better end product. It's just gonna take a couple meetings and agreements with Trumbull County to do that.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's why we're not going with Fuda.

MR. KOGELNIK: Hopefully you're paving the way if the other development, other project, comes in and say look how great this works, let's work another an agreement. We all learned some things there, but that's not for this discussion.

MR. CAMPBELL: True, true. What you got? Six months.

MR. KOGELNIK: I think that's pretty much it for right now. I don't have any -- Bruce, about the LEC record drawings

that we turned over to you, I understand you're still reviewing them.

MR. PLATT: Yes, uh-huh.

MR. KOGELNIK: And you're gonna get us comments back so we can edit it those. So those are real close to being done too.

MR. PLATT: I haven't found anything that has been out of line.

MR. KOGELNIK: So the only outstanding thing we have after that are those air release vaults that we have to install on Pump Station No. 2 force main at Salt Springs Road. And we're gonna be submitting a work authorization to complete those here. So those are basically --

MR. CAMPBELL: Those are paid through LEC, correct?

MR. KOGELNIK: No.

MR. CAMPBELL: The Village is paying those?

MR. KOGELNIK: We talked with the Mayor and Dale Grimm that we were gonna get these things done with the Village funds. And we would get them done this spring, so later on this summer when the repaving of Salt Springs Road happens they can go right over top of it.

MR. CAMPBELL: Right, makes sense.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's all I have.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Do you have any questions?

MR. SULLIVAN: Good-bye.

(Chris Kogelnik leaves the meeting at this time.)

(Whereupon, a short break is taken)

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review of Water & Sewer Regulations

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Old Business. We already covered the Regulations when Chris was here.

2. I&I

MR. CAMPBELL: We're down to number 2, I&I.

MR. PLATT: We have installed the -- have that flow meter, the portable flow meter's installed over there still at Wyland. Ever since we installed it like just before the last meeting in February we hadn't had much precipitation to see what is happening, so hopefully --

MR. SULLIVAN: We're going on year three.

MR. PLATT: Yes, you know. So hopefully.

MR. SULLIVAN: We spent a lot of money on this thing, not getting it done.

MR. PLATT: Doing the best we can, so.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, but do we have a plan. I know we say every month that we're doing the best we can, but it doesn't seem like we have an actual plan to do it. You know, every once in a while if you don't have anything to do you may go do a little bit, but I think we need a plan and a plan that we're gonna carry out.

MR. PLATT: Okay. I'll put one together --

MR. SULLIVAN: I appreciate it.

MR. PLATT: -- for it.

3. DOer Rentals

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. We're down to number 3, the DOer Rentals. I thought we --

MR. PLATT: We were gonna purchase that at the last meeting, we got the approval to purchase it and reserving it, getting a buy-out for it. The buy-out totaled 2,100-some-odd-dollars for it.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MR. PLATT: We have three more rental payments that it would be paid off, and the rental payments are \$1,200. So you know, we can buy it out for \$2,100 or we can pay it off in three more payments that total \$1,200. So I'm just going with the three more payments and then it will --

MR. CAMPBELL: Well, the other thing is with the three more payments is you still get the free refills with it, right?

MR. PLATT: Well what it was, was we got a refill like right at the beginning of March, okay. And the buy-out's actually like \$900; but since you got the stuff I'm gonna have to charge you \$1,200 for the charcoal. We said well, why should I buy it if I'm gonna spend \$1,200 for the, you know --

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. So at this point --

MR. PLATT: And at this point --

MR. CAMPBELL: We're gonna ride it out and we'll be done with it, and we don't need it on the agenda anymore?

MR. PLATT: Right.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, something off the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MR. CAMPBELL: Down to our second set of Public Comments.

(There are no public comments at this time.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Moving on. Solicitor's report. Anything from our Solicitor? Not that I'm aware of.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Not through me.

MR. CAMPBELL: Engineer's report I think we already got.

3. Utility Committee Report

MR. CAMPBELL: Utility Committee. Any updates other than what we discussed?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I hope that was all right when Bob came in the other day. I wasn't sure and he didn't know. So I sent him the information Chris had given to me so he could share with his committee.

MR. CAMPBELL: I talked to him on Sunday and I talked to him --

MR. RADTKA: We spoke last night at Council, me, Chris and Bob. So I'll get -- like I said earlier, I'll get with Bob tonight and give him a call and rattle his chain a little bit about getting a hold of Chris and maybe we can get something set up in the immediate future.

MR. CAMPBELL: We're talking another meeting if you want to do it all in one shot.

MR. RADTKA: That would be fine with me.

MR. CAMPBELL: Call it a work session, it's really just another meeting. It would be a work session if one of us

wasn't here.

MR. RADTKA: But doing that we won't have to have a separate Utility meeting and with you guys, and we have a combined one we eliminate one meeting apiece.

MR. SULLIVAN: We can pass legislation at a work session?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Uh-huh.

MR. CAMPBELL: So it's --

MR. SULLIVAN: It's still another meeting, but just --

4. Clerk's Report - LEC electric transferred

MR. CAMPBELL: Clerk's report. And I guess we can cross off the LEC, or is that supposed to be there on your report. LEC electric transferred.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah, that was my note from last month's agenda because I'll play with it afterwards. I'm sorry, that shouldn't have been on there at all. I just have two -- well, two accounts. But they're accounts, so if we're gonna discuss them we'll need an executive session.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Well do we want to do that after and let --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That's totally fine. Besides that, I do not have anything.

MR. CAMPBELL: Any questions for Cindy? No?

5. Superintendent's Report

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Superintendent's report, Bruce.

MR. PLATT: Okay. We put a -- I just have a couple of things. We put a pressure logger on at the Mayor's home because he was in a couple months ago about the --

MR. CAMPBELL: His hot water tank.

MR. PLATT: -- pressure. And what it is, it's a device you can put it on like a garden hose outlet and screw it on, and it will log -- we had it set to log the pressure every 10 seconds. What we found was there was pressure as high as 117 plus psi --

MR. CAMPBELL: Would you --

MR. PLATT: -- in the home, you know, for a considerable amount of time, you know. How it gets there, I don't know, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: So it wasn't like a quick thing; it was there, it come up --

MR. PLATT: It's there. It comes in rather over a course of three, four minutes and then it stays, you know, for a length of time and then disappears, you know, goes away. I put a little cryptic drawing up here. Here's a home, hot water tank, okay, water main, water service line coming in.

MR. SULLIVAN: Hot water tank in the basement?

MR. PLATT: Yes, uh-huh. I'm not good at 3D.

MR. SULLIVAN: C'mon, Bruce.

MR. PLATT: So what happens is, you know, it's what could happen, high water pressure in the water main travels in, this little X right here is -- there's a check valve in there to not allow water to come in.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right, so it couldn't -- can't come back in the home.

MR. PLATT: So if you get a surge that comes through, boop, it come in and pressurized and then that check valve --

MR. CAMPBELL: Locks it.

MR. PLATT: -- locks it in there until somebody turns the water on to let the water out. Since it's taken three to four minutes, you know, I don't know that that is what's happening. What I think is happening that check valve's there, that water tank heats up. Any time you heat the water it expands, you know, and expands. But we don't know, you know. We just -- that's an I suppose type thing. So what I need to do is put the data logger on here. We also have data loggers that we can put on or a data logger that we can put on a fire hydrant. So we need them at the same time, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: To coordinate.

MR. PLATT: And in this kind of whether you can't do that because the water's stagnant in the fire hydrant, it's still, so it's -- if we keep getting cold weather it's gonna freeze at night and it's gonna damage the data logger, you know, along with possibly the fire hydrant. So as we get -- what we can do, okay, is we can take and put the data logger on for during the daylight hours, you know, say put it on at 8:00 in the morning and put one in the house at 8:00, put one on the fire hydrant at 8:00, and leave it on there; and then 3:00 before the end of the day go remove the two so you remove the possibility of it freezing, you know, type thing. And that way if we saw pressure increase within the house and no increase in the main, you know, or if we see a surge in the main and a surge in the house, you know, pressure increase, that would help us pin -- get a better idea as to what's going on. But I can't -- I don't see why there would be that many water surges over in that area that we've had, you know. The Mayor says his neighbor has replaced four water tanks since he's lived there in like the last 12 years or so. I'm not exactly sure when Mr. Brown built the home over there. But something is occurring and I'm not sure exactly what, you know, whether it's on the water main or not.

MR. RADTKA: Bruce, question for you. Those like Arno's house and Mr. Brown's, do you know if they have expansion tanks on them?

MR. PLATT: Yes, uh-huh.

MR. RADTKA: So they do have that. And in Arno's case, you put that meter on the outside hose bib?

MR. PLATT: It's in the garage.

MR. RADTKA: It's on the cold water?

MR. PLATT: Yes, it's on the cold water.

MR. RADTKA: So it wouldn't show expansion with the hot water heater.

MR. PLATT: The water will expand out the cold water inlet of the hot water tanks. It goes out the outlet and the inlet. So that device told us yeah, his gauge wasn't wrong what they saw, you know, there. So we need to investigate that further.

MR. RADTKA: What's our normal pressure or what should it be?

MR. PLATT: About 70, 75 psi over in his area.

MR. CAMPBELL: Mine isn't near that. I'm too close to the tank. I'm barely 40.

MR. PLATT: So you see, that just needs further study,

you know, so. But I think if we can get something on both sides, you know, one on the main and one on the home --

MR. CAMPBELL: It will give you a better picture.

MR. PLATT: It will do better, you know, so. Okay. So we have that little thing. And well, we're in a short conversation with people doing the proposed warehouse over there.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.

MR. PLATT: As far as like the water pressure and those kind of things, you know. But as far as usage or anything like that --

MR. SULLIVAN: Are you given any of that information, usage or --

MR. PLATT: Yeah, I haven't been given any of that, you know. The warehouse -- they say they only need domestic, you know, they're not using a process type thing. So it's not gonna be a hard, you know, a really extremely difficult solution over there. You know, it might be fine the way it is, but there's no way of knowing.

MR. CAMPBELL: Until you see the figures.

MR. PLATT: Until you get some kind of figures. And again, that would be up to CT to evaluate those to see what we can do there, so. But it would be great to get it if it goes, and we can get the sewer in to, you know, flow through the lift station there on Hallock-Young at Imperial, you know, to upgrade that. I still think we would still need the partial flume meter installed there for Imperial to be billed, okay, because once -- if this warehouse starts putting stuff in there, then you've gotta separate -- you know, that force main meter is not gonna do us any good at all, you know, so to speak, you know. You'd still need that partial flume.

MR. CAMPBELL: Uh-huh, that makes sense.

MR. PLATT: So you know, now --

MR. CAMPBELL: Let's hope that's our hardest decision out of that because that's a no-brainer in my mind.

MR. PLATT: So you know, but that's pretty much all I have. We have homework to do.

MR. SULLIVAN: I gotta ask you a dumb question. You know we've been talking about that Trumbull Energy Center --

MR. PLATT: Right.

MR. SULLIVAN: -- and them not -- I called, we wrote the two letters to E.P.A., we protested it at the school and did it again in Columbus. And I called -- I think you gave me the number, called a guy at the E.P.A. and asked him to come to a meeting. He said no. He said you know -- when we sent him pictures of the problems we already have; and he said well, as far as I'm concerned it's only gonna add three-quarters of an inch to the flow. And I suppose you wouldn't want to propose this to him, but I'm thinking Trumbull said they'd have to do a \$3 million upgrade because it's clean water, which they're already taking from LEC, so I don't understand that. Another thing I don't understand, if it's clean water and they got it in the system that they billed why don't they recycle it.

MR. PLATT: They do a lot of recycling, you know. And it gets so concentrated that that's when they dispose of it.

MR. SULLIVAN: So it's not clean when they dispose of it?

MR. PLATT: Right. You wouldn't want to drink it, you

know. But it's not bathroom type water.

MR. SULLIVAN: And you would not want it in your garden.

MR. RADTKA: From what I understand about that too, Mike, is they run it over the cooling towers.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. RADTKA: And after they pull so much temperature out of it that's all the lower it will get, you know what I'm saying. So at some point there's no more cooling capability of it, so that's when they --

MR. SULLIVAN: Dispose of it.

MR. RADTKA: -- dispose of it, correct. But they keep recycling it until that point they can no longer get a benefit out of it.

MR. SULLIVAN: I told him we already have a problem, and I don't believe the three-quarters of an inch. If you're getting rid of -- they're talking about getting rid of a million gallons a day. But even take them at their word, and yet three-quarters of an inch to a problem you already got you got a bigger problem, you know.

MR. CAMPBELL: It's already a problem now with excessive rain and weather.

MR. SULLIVAN: And you know, I've never been in a situation on the Utility Committee or here where you call the E.P.A. and they say no, we ain't coming, we ain't even gonna talk to you.

MR. RADTKA: Now do you know, is the BPA or you, Bruce, know of any conversations they had with the Corp of Army Engineers about the creek, is there gonna be any upgrades or cleanings?

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't believe so.

MR. PLATT: I have no idea.

MR. CAMPBELL: I don't think Chris has seen anything either. That's part of the problem.

MR. SULLIVAN: Are they're gonna build a pond?

MR. RADTKA: Retention area.

MR. SULLIVAN: And it's supposed to hold a million-and-a-half gallons in the retention pond, and they said they'll let it out where it will only do this. But you know, you get down on Brook Hollow, then last four houses and Jodi's, I mean there's when they built that garage in that last house, it just --

MR. RADTKA: It created some issues.

MR. SULLIVAN: It created a whole different flow.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yep. I guess we'll see how that plays out like everything else we're stuck in.

MR. SULLIVAN: That does answer the question. I didn't know that they did do some recycling already.

MR. CAMPBELL: Okay. Any other questions for Bruce?

MR. SULLIVAN: No.

MR. CAMPBELL: Have you got anything else?

MR. PLATT: Nothing else, no.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

MR. CAMPBELL: All right, now let's go ahead. And is there any Member Comments at this point before we go to executive session for that --

MR. SULLIVAN: No.

MR. CAMPBELL: Well then, I'd like make a motion to go to executive session to cover some billing issues.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

MR. CAMPBELL: Do you second that? All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. SULLIVAN: Second.

MR. CAMPBELL: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Then Cindy can do a call.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Campbell.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Tom Dietz. Michael Sullivan.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yes.

(The Board enters into executive session at 5:45.)

(The meeting on the court reporter's record ends at this time.)

(After executive session ended, Mr. Campbell made a motion to final the account at 3973 Housel Drive. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion.)

(Mr. Sullivan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Campbell seconded.)

(Meeting adjourns at 6:25 p.m.)

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TRUMBULL COUNTY) SS.

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