

Village of Lordstown Board of Trustees of Public Affairs

December 20, 2022

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MEETING OF THE LORDSTOWN VILLAGE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
1455 Salt Springs Road, Lordstown, Ohio
December 20, 2022
4:00 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Christopher Peterson, Vice-President
Mr. Michael Sullivan, Board Member
Ms. Cinthia Slusarczyk, Clerk
Mr. Christopher Kogelnik, Engineer
ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Kevin Campbell, President (by phone)

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 December, 2022.

MR. PETERSON: Let get started. Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

**LORD'S PRAYER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

ROLL CALL:

MR. PETERSON: All right. Welcome, everyone. Roll call please.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Kevin Campbell.
(No response.)

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Michael Sullivan.

MR. SULLIVAN: Here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Chris Peterson.

MR. PETERSON: Here.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Darren Biggs.

(No response.)

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

MR. KOGELNIK: Present.

MR. SULLIVAN: I make a motion for those --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah, both Kevin and Darren called in sick.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, excused. I'll second that. All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed.

APPROVAL AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES:

October 18, 2022

November 15, 2022

MR. PETERSON: Approval and Correction of the minutes. First one is October 18, 2022. I'll make a motion we accept the minutes.

MR. SULLIVAN: Second.

MR. PETERSON: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed?

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(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed. Next set of minutes
November 15, 2022. I'll make a motion.

MR. SULLIVAN: Second.

MR. PETERSON: All in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

MR. PETERSON: Do we have any correspondence?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We did receive a correspondence. I don't have it with me. It is just that from Richard Hale -- he's the owner of Summit Supply -- requesting that Darren consider him in future purchase needs. That's all I have.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Nothing official.

MR. SULLIVAN: I had a question. Can we amend the agenda to approve paying Darren for the hours that he isn't able to use?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That's by ordinance, not by our resolution. And you would -- I think you need a legal opinion on that. I don't know. I mean, I understand what you're saying because he's got a lot of hours he was not able to use.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah. It's not fair to just -- that he's not able to use any of them.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah.

MR. PETERSON: Don, has that ever come up in the past, our guys' side, somebody not being able to use their vacation hours; and how did you guys address that.

MR. REIDER: I can't tell you to tell you the truth.

MR. SULLIVAN: Darren's got like what, 126 hours or something that, he hasn't been able to use because every time he tries to go he gets called back.

MR. REIDER: Yeah.

MR. PETERSON: I guess probably we should reach out to Paul for an opinion. That's the only thing we can do unless somebody else has --

MR. SULLIVAN: I just don't know why we want --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Why don't you make a motion to include all of that.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah. If Paul okays it, then we would pay out the hours. Is that what you're looking for?

MR. SULLIVAN: You're in the same situation, aren't you?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No, I took mine this year. I have hours carry over but within the allowed.

MR. SULLIVAN: Within the 40 hours.

MR. PETERSON: You're only allowed 40, correct?

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. So make a motion that the BPA pays Darren for the unused hours.

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

(All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Historically, I believe Bruce would save vacation time and he was paid out for that at Christmas time, and then it changed. So --

MR. PETERSON: So it's something that changed in the

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contract or the ordinance?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: For the record, yes. I don't remember what, I just remember that Bruce would save it for Christmas.

MR. SULLIVAN: There was a big change. The police chief used to bank hours and he would take time off for it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Comp time you mean?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah. And they stopped that, I believe.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah. And Darren -- this is Darren's regular vacation; this isn't comp time.

MR. PETERSON: This isn't comp time, yeah.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah. He probably -- if he has comp hours, he would either be paid out or I think he was paid out for those at the end of November. They have to clear out the comp hours in December.

MR. SULLIVAN: Did they pay him for them?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I don't know either.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't think so. Well, check and see if we can.

MR. PETERSON: Do you want to e-mail Paul or do you want me to do it? It doesn't matter to me.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No, because I'll have to get it to Bill.

MR. PETERSON: Let Bill decide how he wants to --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We have tomorrow and Thursday to get a chance because he's locking up the funds. We're working on it right now.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. No other correspondence?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Public Comments.

MR. COWIE: Yeah, I just wanted to get on record to see that -- if we can set up a work session of some sort, you know, with Imperial and the BPA to iron out some things that have been going on for a couple years and just we need to take a look at them and --

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, we need to do that. We've been talking about it forever.

MR. COWIE: Some of these things have lingered on for a couple years. Just if we can do that at, you know, the beginning of next year sometime, you know. If we can get together and --

MR. PETERSON: I think Kevin was trying to work with you and get a date. And I don't know if it was on our end or yours.

MR. COWIE: Things came up and then now it -- until the first of the year. But we really need to try to hammer out a couple things.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

MR. COWIE: So I just wanted to be on record to request that.

MR. PETERSON: No. I will -- I'll touch base with Kevin and he'll -- he's been working with you, so you'll have him reach out.

MR. SULLIVAN: See if we can pick a date where we can meet.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, just pick a date and meet.

MR. COWIE: Like I said, after the first of the year is fine. We just need to actually do it.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Any other public comments? Don, do you have anything?

MR. REIDER: No.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Affairs of the Village

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of Lordstown to execute a resident solid waste collection and disposal contract with Browning Ferris Industries of Ohio, Inc., dba Republic Services, for the Village of Lordstown and declaring an emergency

MR. PETERSON: Seeing none, New Business. The first one -- do you read it? or do I read it?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Whatever you like.

MR. PETERSON: You can read it if you like.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: A Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Affairs of the Village of Lordstown to execute a resident solid waste collection and disposal contract with Browning Ferris Industries of Ohio, Inc., dba Republic Services, for the Village of Lordstown and declaring an emergency. This is our trash contract that expires April 2 of this -- 2023. We sent the bids and Chris reviewed them, sent his recommendation, which I forwarded his e-mail directly to all the Board members and to Paul. And the legislation was created to support what the engineer had recommended.

MR. KOGELNIK: Excuse me. Kevin Campbell's calling. Should we -- he asked if we could call him.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Oh, sure.

(Kevin Campbell attending by phone).

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. So we're at the --

MR. KOGELNIK: We were at the discussion regarding the solid waste and recycling. Cindy had just read what was on the agenda.

MR. PETERSON: Do you have anything to add to it?

MR. KOGELNIK: I do not have anything to add. There weren't any other issues that we discovered in the review of the bid. We've transported the original bids back to the Village office.

MR. SULLIVAN: So what, are we where we were on the new bid or has it gone up or --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Trick question. That I'd have to look. I didn't actually have the tab sheet, I had gross amounts. So based on that amount --

MR. KOGELNIK: We did not do a comparison from the prior years until now. We just evaluated the bid from the standpoint of completeness and accuracy. So Cindy, if you want, the informal figures on the bid form were accurate.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I think it's going down this year because of the fuel index through our gas price was very high. And based on what I'm looking at right here, I think it will actually be a drop in our contracted price. It's going to be close. I don't know exactly. That comes up to about \$18.61 a month for a standard residential curbside service. So I don't off the top of my head know what the monthly rate is.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you?

MR. PETERSON: I have a dumpster.

MR. KOGELNIK: I wouldn't speculate until you have had time to look at it.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: All I can say, what one's out -- I have a cart, so it throws my price up.

MR. PETERSON: That throws your price up. So do you want to go forward with it?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The bid -- the bid that's being recommended for your approval tonight for the alternate one, which is trash with recycling -- bi-weekly recycling link -- their total bid price was \$268,052.50. The second bidder lowest price was \$281,580. The third bidder was \$389,481. And that was --

MR. PETERSON: So it's the best price and it's the company we've been using.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yes. You're more than welcome to look

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at that sheet.

MR. PETERSON: We haven't really had any complaint on --

MR. SULLIVAN: Does that still include the -- over here?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The cardboard recycling? It was not part of the bid packet. That's a courtesy they've always provided to the Village.

MR. SULLIVAN: I guess we'll approve it. I was justifies hoping that we didn't have a raise there and then come into next month with a raise in the water.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. I'll make a motion to approve.

**MR. PETERSON: I'll second that motion. All in favor?
(All respond aye.)**

MR. PETERSON: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed. Next.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I'm going to have you sign it now.

MR. PETERSON: All right.

2. Personnel

MR. PETERSON: Next item on the agenda is Personnel.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Under that topic Darren had called in. He said that he's asking the Board to support his recommendation of the new employee hire. We're all aware of who that is, but it's up to you. I don't officially know that.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'll make a motion to approve the recommendation of Darren. Do you have a name?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I think the Board has the name.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, we have the name.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I was not part of that meeting.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, she wasn't at that. I'll get you the name.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Is it the current employee?

MR. PETERSON: Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Bruce Pyles.

MR. PETERSON: Thank you.

MR. SULLIVAN: I make a motion to hire him full-time.

Right?

MR. PETERSON: Is that how you want it worded? I'll second that motion. Any more discussion? All those in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed? No?

(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed.

3. CEF-L Valve Replacement Along 24" Water Transmission Line

MR. PETERSON: Next item under New Business is the valve replacement along the 24-inch water transmission line.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I believe at our last meeting the last update was Kevin was waiting for them to come back into town and meet with them. I don't --

MR. SULLIVAN: Did you, Kevin?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, we're just going to keep that on the agenda until it falls into place. So go on to the next item.

4. SCADA

MR. PETERSON: Item 4 is the SCADA system. Do we have any updates? Did Darren provide any updates on that? Chris?

MR. KOGELNIK: No, I don't have any updates on that.

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: No.

MR. PETERSON: I guess we'll just keep it on the agenda for the next meeting.

5. Lipkey Water Line Replacement

MR. PETERSON: Item 5 is the Lipkey water line replacement. I guess I'll take this one. Mr. Reider -- Councilman Reider and I met with the Antonine Sisters, B&B Construction, and the architect on the project last Thursday. Believe it or not this was an ordeal to get everybody in one room, wasn't it? Darren was also there. So we got everybody in one room. I won't say we accomplished anything, but we got everybody in one room. We did ask the question do they have any proof that we took ownership over it. They did not have that readily available. But they did contact the architect that was on the original project, and he is supposed to get the records to us. I have not got an e-mail. And I know Ron and I were on that e-mail, and I asked Ron last night and he didn't have anything either, so. I don't know how long we wait before probably send an e-mail reminder to them tomorrow and say hey, have you heard anything. Because I want to keep moving on this. The other side of that is they want to extend off of that line at 500 -- was it 500 feet? Yeah, another 500 feet with an 8-inch and come off of that line with a 6-inch fire protection and 2-inch for their service. So we obviously told them we don't really want you attaching to an already fail line so we need to figure out the first part. Pretty much what Darren said, as far as we're concerned at this point it's a service line. We've never shown that we took ownership of it, so it would be your service. They -- of course, the sisters didn't really like that idea; and we told them we're going to continue to fix it if it breaks until we figure this out. So I guess we're just in a holding pattern waiting. I think we should set some kind of timetable on that before we do something because they want to move forward with the project. What did they say, two months they want to put that line in? And I did ask the question, well if you want to do that I'm sure you've made application to the E.P.A.; and she said well, that was our intention. Well I can tell you the application process, Chris can vouch for this, is not two months. I mean, so that was a pipe dream. I'm assuming that this happened the same way last time, but I don't know that for sure of course. So I guess we'll just -- go ahead, do you have something?

MR. REIDER: And they did make a comment that they plan on paying for the second.

MR. PETERSON: Correct, correct. Yeah, they plan on paying.

MR. REIDER: We said Lordstown Village won't, and they said they would pay for it. We wished that they would pay up to the original starting point and pay for it all.

MR. KOGELNIK: There's a lot to extending a water line from one county into another in Ohio --

MR. REIDER: Right.

MR. KOGELNIK: -- you know. Consider what might happen in the future. If that the water line were to be built down to the Antonine Sisters, there's plenty of space in between the corporate boundary line and the termination point to connect another house or, you know, whatever. And that question is going to come up sooner or later, how is that going to then work with anybody building that line. So there's a process for doing that in Ohio. It's called the Ohio Revised Code 307.

MR. SULLIVAN: And don't Mahoning County got to be in on that?

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MR. KOGELNIK: Yes, they do.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I believe that the initial 1,500 foot of that line is already accepted, and we have Mahoning County customers on the first stretch of the line. But to extend that line, I don't know.

MR. SULLIVAN: There's nine customers.

MR. KOGELNIK: I'd correct what I think you were saying and doing there at the meeting is to try and redo this bad practice that was evidently done in the nineties and get that corrected because do it for the future of the Village. I mean, document it, do it, you know, the right way and the line needs to be replaced. That's -- I've said it time and time again, that facility contains a lot of people and they need to be provided with reliable water service down there. It needs done the right way, and this is to replace that line all the way to the Village corporate boundary line.

MR. SULLIVAN: It went bad within --

MR. PETERSON: I think they said they believe '95.

MR. KOGELNIK: Twenty-five years is, you know, for a ductile water line that is a very short life. You know, you should get easy 50 to 60 years out of a ductile iron water line. Now I said before and I'll say it again, there's all kind of conditions and issues that impact that line. You have a natural gas line that is very near by, therefore it's possible that it impressed current -- electric current could be helping to cause it to corrode. You have a line that was, according to Darren, installed in an inferior manner. I don't know what the bedding around the pipe was, but it doesn't sound like it's something Darren's accustomed to seeing. And also it was not wrapped in polyethylene. So the dielectric current is not broken in other words, it's attacking the -- it's using the pipe as an anode. And then you've got, you know, the water hammer that's happening now in the distribution system. When you're pounding on a water line at the tail end of the Village that's got holes in it, it's a recipe for disaster. It needs to be replaced immediately. If you can get by with a couple more months, that's a gift.

MR. PETERSON: And we did explain to them that since we can't show ownership we can't go after any funding options, it's tying our hands.

MR. REIDER: Right.

MR. PETERSON: So, I mean it's kind of on them if they want to continue with their project and get additional water, they're going to have to find a way to get us records or --

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah. If I could be so bold as to say you're going to have to do that immediately.

MR. REIDER: And while we sat in that meeting there was five representatives there I think, Chris, from B&B Construction; and none of them remembered who put that line or when it was put in.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's very possible.

MR. PETERSON: They're saying like we don't think we did that part. Well, you're doing that part now.

MR. REIDER: But the Antonine elderly sister that was there said that's the one that did it. But they have no proof of it, nobody, no record, no nothing. Other than the engineer, the architect, the -- Annissa is her name -- stepped out to make a phone call. And she come back in the meeting -- if you remember, Chris -- and they said hopefully somebody's going to contact her to let her know who put that in and when it was put in. But nobody's heard back from her yet.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, okay. Well I mean, she's a stand-up architect. I know Annissa. But it's the Antonine Sisters who have

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to make that executive decision, and there's a lot to it. There's the right-of-way that has to be worked inside, the County does not want to have the road damaged at all by way of the work. And then, you know, the future planning of the water line and the permitting. So this is something that I would definitely recommend if not, tell the Antonine Sisters you're going to have to do this immediately.

MR. REIDER: I know Darren did comment to them and said whenever this gets moving forward that line has to be built to our specs, our specifications. He did tell them that, he said, or we're not going to accept it.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes. If the intended ownership and maintenance is going to be the Village Water and Sewer Superintendent, then it has to be --

MR. REIDER: And he says when he does have a break on that line, when he goes to fix the break, as soon as they get to it there is nothing underneath the pipe. All the fill, the back of it, it's all gone, there's nothing there. Just like the pipe's hanging in limbo. So it wasn't put in correctly to begin with.

MR. PETERSON: So I would say we'll just stay on top of them. Chris, we'll keep you -- Darren will keep you in the loop; and we'll just keep trying to move forward as much as we can with them. And we're in a holding pattern on them. Like I said, I have no problem sending her another e-mail tomorrow saying it's been almost a week, have you found anything out. So that's what we know about that. Anything else on that? Okay.

6. 2023 Meeting Dates

MR. PETERSON: Number 6, 2023 meeting dates. They are in the packets?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The e-mail I submitted to the Board, the three dates of January, February and June's meetings are affected by the holiday. Monday is a holiday. Council has moved to the following Tuesday, so we moved the meetings to Wednesday. But I do believe in all situations they moved to the following Wednesday, but I made sure it stood out on the calendar.

MR. PETERSON: Kevin, you were okay with them too?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I need a motion.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'll make a motion that the calendar that was presented is one that we'll go by.

MR. PETERSON: Okay, I'll second that motion. All those in favor?

(All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed. Hey, Kevin.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MR. PETERSON: While I have you on the phone, Tom's here from Imperial. He'd like to set a meeting up sometime -- I know you weren't on the call yet when he spoke under Public Comments -- sometime after the first of the year. Do you have a date in mind?

MR. CAMPBELL: I can look at my calendar and get one picked if you want to do that, or can he look at his calendar now?

MR. PETERSON: If we set it now then we'll have it, you know what I mean.

MR. CAMPBELL: All right. Let me look at my calendar. Do you have something in mind?

MR. COWIE: No, Kevin. We'll make ourselves available whenever necessary. This is going to be a work session, correct?

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MR. CAMPBELL: Well we're going to have a meeting, I believe, to actually finish up and get things done. That's the plan.

MR. COWIE: Okay.

MR. CAMPBELL: Best time for me is like the third week of January, sometime in there. That's when we have our regular meeting.

MR. PETERSON: No, it's moved to the week following because of the holiday. So I think Council meeting --

MR. CAMPBELL: We can do before or after our meeting.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: There was a reason we didn't move it to the 18th, and I don't know whose schedule conflicted. You were out-of-town, Chris or Kevin. But there was a reason that meeting wasn't scheduled that week. So I highly recommend you check your calendars because, like I said, we moved it to the follow Wednesday because of that issue.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, I think Chris had something.

MR. PETERSON: I think I'm out-of-town that week. It's not showing up on here, it's probably on my Google calendar. Are you available the week prior, Kevin?

MR. CAMPBELL: I can -- at -- like on the 12th you're talking?

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, the 12th would work.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, I can do the 12th. I can't do the 11th, but I can do the 12th.

MR. PETERSON: Is the 12th good for you?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah. I'm having eye surgery on the 11th.

MR. PETERSON: You probably don't want to come in here the day after eye surgery.

MR. SULLIVAN: No, I'll come.

MR. PETERSON: Are you sure?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I can't be here.

MR. PETERSON: The twelve doesn't work Kevin.

MR. CAMPBELL: Do you want to go into February then?

MR. PETERSON: Our meeting is on the 25th, our regular meeting.

MR. SULLIVAN: Of February?

MR. PETERSON: I'm still in January. I'm fighting to get this in January if I can. I know everybody's schedules. The last week of January, Kevin, I'm out-of-town Thursday, Friday; but the -- earlier in the week I'm available. Are you?

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, I'm out-of-town that weekend and there's the holiday there.

MR. PETERSON: The holiday's the week before.

MR. SULLIVAN: Martin Luther King?

MR. PETERSON: That's a week before.

MR. SULLIVAN: That week I'm going to do like a four-dayer.

MR. PETERSON: Is the 24th good for you, Kevin?

MR. CAMPBELL: I can do the 24th.

MR. PETERSON: Cindy, is that good for you?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I'll be here on the 24th. That's the day before the Board meeting.

MR. PETERSON: Is that a big deal, or is that okay with you?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's two meetings back-to-back so --

MR. PETERSON: Never mind, I can't do the 24th.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I don't know what days you were out-of-town, Chris.

MR. PETERSON: I have a board meeting at work. I haven't

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put them in my calendar yet. Do you want to do it the same day as our meeting and just make it a long meeting?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You mean during the workday?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah.

MR. PETERSON: I'll make that work. Kevin, can you come during the day on the 25th?

MR. CAMPBELL: On the 25th?

MR. PETERSON: Yeah.

MR. CAMPBELL: What time, like at 2:00?

MR. COWIE: We're available any time.

MR. PETERSON: 2:00 would work. I can make 2:00 work if you can make it.

MR. CAMPBELL: Let me check my work schedule. Yes, I can do 2:00 on the 25th.

MR. PETERSON: That will work. We'll set that for 2:00 p.m. on the 25th.

MR. CAMPBELL: That was easy.

MR. PETERSON: What is your definition of easy?

MR. CAMPBELL: That's how it goes.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Any other new business?

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Ultium Cells - Turn Lane Improvements

MR. PETERSON: Moving on to Old Business. Ultium Cells, turn lane improvements.

MR. KOGELNIK: There hasn't been any update yet, and that is because there apparently has not been any reach-out from Ultium to our company to say when is the best time to do the traffic count to warrant the signal. So we'll let you know.

MR. PETERSON: We'll just keep it on there then.

2. Proposed Hallock Young Road Water Line Improvements

MR. PETERSON: Proposed Hallock Young Road water line improvement.

MR. KOGELNIK: That one is still in design, and right now we're communicating with Dominion regarding avoiding their natural gas line.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. While I'm thinking about that, Mike, have you talked to Foxconn at all?

MR. SULLIVAN: No.

MR. PETERSON: Will you get a chance to do that sometime? Okay. All right.

3. Salt Springs Road Booster Station Relocation

MR. PETERSON: Third item is Salt Springs Road booster station relocation. I might as well just keep looking at you.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. So this is a project that we were authorized but we agreed not to start it because of the --

MR. PETERSON: Funding.

MR. KOGELNIK: -- funding on behalf of the Village. So that was going to be one of my questions in my report. Do you want me to give it then?

MR. PETERSON: Sure.

MR. KOGELNIK: I'll wait for my report then.

4. City of Niles/Mahoning Valley Sanitary District Water

MR. PETERSON: The fourth item still of Niles/ Mahoning Valley Sanitary District water. Kevin, do you want to give an update on that, do you have anything or --

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MR. CAMPBELL: No I don't have any updates at this point. I got to get a call in to Bob Bond and see if there's -- I told them we could try to get a meeting at least between the three of us, and that was my suggestion to Bob the last time he reached out to me. So there's no updates at this point.

MR. PETERSON: I did talk to him last night at the Council meeting. I think he said he had talked to them and it was going to be after the first of the year before they could get their stuff -- they were busy doing some stuff on their side.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, that's the last I heard too.

5. Imperial Sewer Agreement

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Item 5, Imperial sewer agreement. That's what we're working on for the meeting, so we'll just keep that on there.

6. Rate Study - Water, Work Authorization dated 10-19-22

MR. PETERSON: Item 6 is rate study for water.

MR. KOGELNIK: I can touch on that in my report.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Actually it's the actual work authorization, it was dated 10-19. We had a meeting on October 18. You asked for him to prepare a work authorization. He did, he sent it the next day. The work authorization is not to exceed \$5,000. That's for CT, Bob McNutt to review the rate study out there and bring it up-to-date, and then we hope to have a meeting and go over that for everyone to understand that rate study.

MR. SULLIVAN: So the -- that was gone over already, the \$5,000?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It is not covered. Actually we received an invoice against the water rate study, and I cannot pay it at this time because we don't have --

MR. PETERSON: You need a motion to --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: This work authorization has to be signed and approved first.

MR. SULLIVAN: But do we need to approve it?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah.

MR. PETERSON: I'll make a motion we approve the work authorization for \$5,000 for the rate study.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'll second it.

MR. PETERSON: Any more discussion? All those in favor? (All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed? (No response).

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Chris, do you want to sign it and just make sure you put your title after it since it's -- Chris, I'll forward you a copy of that tomorrow for your records. And then next -- the payment won't be able to be processed until January, but at least it's good now.

MR. PETERSON: While we're on the rate study for the water, is this where we want to bring up the increase from MVSD?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I made the Board aware of that rate increase in Public Comments in October and November. It's been submitted to the Board. Eleven cents for each year for the next three years.

MR. SULLIVAN: Then I saw I think in last Sunday's paper where it was going to court or something, that there was --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I think that's their process for adjusting the rates, because they cannot make a profit and cover their expenses so that's how it gets approved.

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MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

MR. PETERSON: So do we need to look at adjusting our rates to coincide with that? I know the rate study is being worked on; but that's not an easy process, it's going to have to go into effect. After January 1 we're going to eat an 11 cent increase.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah. But I thought that we were going to do a little more than the 11 cents, correct?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That was my understanding.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: As I talked to Chris Peterson since our last meeting, and I don't know if the Board recalls that the water rate study that is currently out there and now being reviewed changes our billing method. We're on a four-tier system. And what is recommended by the engineer for the water rate study is a readiness-to-serve fee and then adjusting the water rate structure altogether. That's a major change, and that's something that cannot be implemented in the next 30 days. It will take time. You must notify your vendors of the water rate increase and who's affected, who's not affected. There's a lot to go in it. That's why I wanted Bob McNutt, the engineer reviewing that, to be -- to explain that to you again because I think you have two decisions to make; are you going to change the way you're doing it, or are you going to continue to do so. And Chris asked well, what would the rate be if we kept the tier the same. I go, that must be calculated by Bob. He's worked those spreadsheets to know how to pull that and translate it and convert it to a dollar figure for our current rate study. I think that's imperative that this gets done if that's what you're considering.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well you know, we had talked I think at the last meeting about to do something we had to do it now so it would --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It takes -- correct.

MR. SULLIVAN: April or March, whatever. And my thinking, and I thought the rest of the Board, was that we knew that there was going to be a significant raise. I thought we would be better off if we did it in two pieces. I mean, if we just do the 11 cents and then come back with a 60 or 70 cents, I think that's going to be much harder for the residents to take than if it was a 50 cents and a 50 cents or whatever, you know.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I understand what you're saying. However, we don't know what the value is to those increases either way. We don't know if it's 50 cents or \$1.50.

MR. SULLIVAN: But we know that it's going up.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Absolutely, yes. We knew before, we were told.

MR. PETERSON: So to adjust rates, does that have to be done through resolution?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Absolutely.

MR. PETERSON: So we would have to ask for a resolution for whatever rate increase we would need to do.

MR. SULLIVAN: What do you think, Chris?

MR. KOGELNIK: I think you need to do it real quick.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do what?

MR. KOGELNIK: Raise your rates.

MR. SULLIVAN: To what?

MR. KOGELNIK: If you want to have a meeting to go over that again, then we would be happy to do that. Right now it's just a difficult time of the year to meet. But I definitely think that we've given you enough information to at least raise your rates. At one point in time, I think I said it before, the Village of Lordstown

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and most any community is always going to have difficult times when they say well, something new has happened that affects my rate, something else is impacting me now that affects my rate, this now is affecting my decision to establish the rate. It's never going to be an opportune time. And your rates are not designed to go, you know, up and down and up and down like that, but a steady --

MR. SULLIVAN: Up.

MR. KOGELNIK: -- increase is probably the -- you know, the industry trend or expectation. Right now you can't afford to do even some of the basic things in your water system. So you know, if you're looking at raising your rates yes, you should be looking at when you're going to raise your rates and the magnitude that you're going to raise your rates so that your citizens aren't hit hard at any one point in time. So I think that we -- right now obviously you're talking about a meeting and a work session. Let's get this thing scheduled in January sometime.

MR. SULLIVAN: But is that too late to hit the April deadline?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I cannot raise the rates on somebody -- there's three different bill cycles, so that question is open-ended. Depends on what cycle we're talking. When we implement that or when you have legislation, that's when we can look and say this is when it will go into effect. But if I read your meter on December 25, if I pass it before that date saying next meter reading that's fine because it's like choosing their gas station, you know what you're paying for. But if it's after I read your meter and you're into a new billing period I can't implement that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Then you have to wait.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Ninety days. One cycle is going to be 90 days no matter what.

MR. PETERSON: Correct.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The businesses we bill monthly.

MR. PETERSON: Personally, I'm thinking you need to get this done as soon as you can, especially with a 11 cent increase.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well McNutt's -- as I recall the last time that he made a recommendation and we -- it was 96 cents and we ended up doing 66 cents.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I don't recall CT ever recommending a previous rate.

MR. SULLIVAN: Bob McNutt did. We met with him.

MR. KOGELNIK: Now may I say that Mike, I do remember those figures. But again, we're grasping at old, recollected figures.

MR. PETERSON: The systems completely changed.

MR. KOGELNIK: It's not even productive to talk about it right now. Let's have a meeting in January, establish that, and from that meeting there should be a piece of paper that outlines the rate structure going forward. There really must be.

MR. PETERSON: In the meantime, do we --

MR. SULLIVAN: We need to do something.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: You cannot raise the rates without a resolution.

MR. PETERSON: Correct.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, I understand that. But we can make a resolution, can't we?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Can you make resolution, no. That comes from Paul. You can tell me the information that you would like to have in a resolution, to put in there.

MR. PETERSON: Yes.

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MS. SLUSARCZYK: But we have one. The information you have to provide me is the rate, the increase.

MR. PETERSON: What number were you thinking?

MR. SULLIVAN: I was thinking like 50 is.

MR. KOGELNIK: Well, time out.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah.

MR. KOGELNIK: Let me go back to my staff, talk about it, because what I'd want to do is look at what we calculated and what has not changed since then and establish a rate from that. And then if there are other future impacts to the Village's water system such as what we're talking about with Warren and, you know, their involvement into this via TEC indirectly, it's going to have some impacts. That is something that is a variable that can be handled after the January meeting.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. I'll get back to the Village on that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: But to schedule a meeting in January I think we need to have Bob.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes.

MR. SULLIVAN: For sure.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Let us know what day he's available and see if we can, any time that day, make it work.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah. I mean I can't speak to -- I'll find a way to come in the daytime if you have -- if I have to.

MR. SULLIVAN: So what else. So if we meet in January, the new rate would go into effect 90 days after the resolution passed?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: (Nodding head.)

MR. PETERSON: On residential. Commercial it would go into effect the next month.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: If they're billed monthly. It's not commercial.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, okay. Do we need to ask for the resolution at a meeting, or we can do that in the work session with Bob? It would be a meeting because all three of us would be together, so it doesn't matter.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: A work session is a meeting as well. It's just a title.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. We'll move forward with that.

7. Ultium

MR. PETERSON: Number 7, Ultium.

MR. KOGELNIK: I have yet to reach out to Ultium following my visit to their facility, but I will be doing that.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Has Darren noted any changes?

MR. SULLIVAN: Have they done anything about the water surges and --

MR. KOGELNIK: That's what I'm going to be reaching out to them -- they have not done anything to our knowledge on the system, so expect some communication from me and --

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

8. Utility Department Building

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Number 8, Utility Department building. I assume that's on hold.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, we need to fold that right in with the --

MR. PETERSON: Rate study.

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MR. SULLIVAN: -- the rate study.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's right.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: It's part of the rate study.

9. I&I

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Item 9, I&I.

MR. KOGELNIK: On the I&I, I will be giving an update on that. We're still flow monitoring.

10. Sanitary Sewer Rate Review

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Item 10, sanitary sewer rate review.

MR. KOGELNIK: Sanitary sewer rate review, we wanted to have a meeting with the BPA. And if we can have that meeting -- we're talking about in January -- then Jay Shutt, my associate, would like to piggyback that meeting in person, he'd like to come here and talk with you about the sewer rate study. He's got a couple questions.

MR. PETERSON: Do you want to just reach out to us with whatever date works? I know you're coordinating a lot of people.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, I'll give you several dates.

MR. PETERSON: All right. And last night, Mr. Reider, Council approved to pay for half of that, correct?

MR. REIDER: Correct.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yes.

MR. SULLIVAN: Thank you, Mr. Reider.

MR. PETERSON: Thank you very much.

11. Extension of Water Utility Service to Property Owned by George R. Ebling, Jr., 6580 Woodridge Way

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Item 11, extension of water utility service to the property owned by Mr. Ebling.

MR. SULLIVAN: This is like a nightmare that won't go away.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I have not received an easement, a signed --

MR. PETERSON: I called to Kellie last night at the meeting and she hadn't either. The last she heard from Mr. Ebling was he was going in, I believe it was last Thursday, to sign with the attorney; but she doesn't know if it went anywhere past that. But she's had several correspondences with him.

MR. SULLIVAN: Who did?

MR. PETERSON: Kellie Bordner. Wasn't really getting anywhere, and all of a sudden, he did send her an e-mail saying he was going in to sign. She doesn't know if that's been done or not. She just assumes that --

MR. SULLIVAN: So we have to wait until Kellie comes back to us?

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, I mean -- but he needs to be on some kind of time clock. I don't even know what we can do.

MR. KOGELNIK: Correct.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: His time has expired.

MR. PETERSON: His 60 days is up. It was up middle of last month.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I believe it was like November 20-something.

MR. PETERSON: So we're a month past that already.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's not fair to the Village. We stood on our head to get him water service, and all that he had to do was provide the opportunity to extend that in the proper way and he's not

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doing that. This is disingenuous.

MR. PETERSON: What can we do?

MR. KOGELNIK: I would talk with the Solicitor about it.

MR. PETERSON: I'll talk to him.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think you ought to -- someone should call him first and say are you going to shit or get off the pot.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That's why my correspondences were directed to Kellie, because she was overseeing the receipt of the easement. And I just followed up with her last week for an update for the Board for the meeting; and that is when the notice that yeah, it's there, I'll go sign. But that was a week ago.

MR. SULLIVAN: If we contact him and he's still --

MR. PETERSON: If he says he signed and everything, just send something over to Kellie so we know that and then we're good. The way she explained it, if it's at the county it's out of everybody's hands and the county just has to do their part. So -- and it may already be there, we don't know. But we just need to know that --

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah.

MR. PETERSON: -- you know what I mean. But I agree with you, we did everything we could do to get him water. We shouldn't be in a holding pattern here.

MR. SULLIVAN: We did more than we should have.

MR. PETERSON: So -- and then if -- I guess if I don't hear anything from him I'll reach out to Paul. All right.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MR. PETERSON: Hearing none, second round of Public Comments. Anything? Anything?

REPORTS:

1. Solicitor's Report

MR. PETERSON: Okay, Reports. Do we have a Solicitor's Report?

MR. SULLIVAN: No.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No.

2. Engineer's Report

MR. PETERSON: Engineer's Report.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes, I have several things. And what I'll do to make things simple is I'll speed through this list, but I'll also follow-up with you in writing after the meeting, okay. And I'll even copy Deb there. So the work session rate study, we'll set that meeting up, we'll give you several dates on that. Second item is the sewer rate study. Yes, Jay Shutt would like to meet with the BPA and discuss with you the questions he has. There's -- like the water rate study, there's big impact to the Village that could happen and whether they do really change things. And so the better you can define the variables for him, the more likely he's going to give you a report that can stand on its own. You know, one big topic that we've talked around ever since it was enacted was Ultium sewer. You know, we said short agreement, possibly someday might be able to reroute it. That will be here before we know it will.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Three more years.

MR. KOGELNIK: All right. So, and the other thing that we talked about was the possibility of taking back the County's sanitary sewer system along State Route 45. That has been asked of me, it's been talked about ad nauseum, but there's been no traction at all. If you took on that part of the sewer system it incurs a lot of debt, you know. It's probably -- I would estimate that that system

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is probably already paid for, but it needs to be upgraded. So whether or not that system becomes yours really does ultimately play into the sewer rate study.

MR. PETERSON: I guess catch me up a little bit.

MR. KOGELNIK: So the County owns a small sewer system parallel to State Route 45. You know where Ross' eatery is?

MR. PETERSON: Yes.

MR. KOGELNIK: Right across the street is a pump station, it's owned by the County. It literally has only like a couple hours of run time on it almost a month. It's -- there should be issues of septicity there, right?

MR. PETERSON: Yep, yep.

MR. KOGELNIK: So there's going to be development that eventually comes down State Route 45 that's going to need sewer service, and so I know a way that we can upsize the capacity of that system. This was a system that, it's my understanding, was constructed initially for Lordstown and then was relinquished to the County at some point in time; and now, you know, the Village is wondering if they can have it back. I don't know the answer or the legalities of that. That's something that the Village probably should talk to Solicitor Dutton about.

MR. SULLIVAN: I thought there was a point in time when -- who's the guy in the County --

MR. KOGELNIK: Gary Newbrough.

MR. SULLIVAN: -- that said no way?

MR. KOGELNIK: He did. He did say that. So it's at least an option but is that all. Is the Village satisfied with that answer?

MR. SULLIVAN: Well if we can go somewhere else and get the right answer, no.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. I answered the question with regard to Ultium water distribution pressure issues, but that really is predicated on what they adjust in their system and what we come up with in terms of any kind of valving on the outside. The fourth item actually came by the Mahoning County Sanitary Engineers, and I mentioned that one to Kevin and to Cindy. Apparently there was a payment that they had to make to Lordstown, I think it was on the sewer side. But what they were wondering was can they be relieved of a late payment fee. Apparently the County Commissioners were meeting late, and that in turn made their payment to the Village late. So that's something that maybe the Board can talk about during your invoices or payments. Do you have a --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: They haven't submitted any request to me.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay.

MR. PETERSON: We need an official request.

MR. KOGELNIK: Number five, customers on the Warren water line and Darren's role on back flow preventers and meters. Darren called me about a week or two ago, and he was looking at back flow preventers and meters especially at I think it was Matalco. He was very frustrated with what he could see and what he couldn't see, and he was asking for me to help him to find what he needs to be responsible for or, you know, just to help him see through what the issues were with the back flow preventer and meter at Matalco. I told Darren I'd recommend that he ask the BPA to define his role on the Warren water line relative to back flow preventers and meters because it's not clear. And if I was the operator of record, I wouldn't know exactly where my role began and ended relative to that. But after I talked with him -- we had a very productive conversation over the phone. We

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could determine, he and I, what the possible role for Darren might be. So I think that the Board should understand and consider that; and it should be a discussion as soon as possible, probably at the work session in January that we have. So you're defining what he -- where his limit of responsibility begins and ends relative to any connection that is made on that existing Warren 16 water line.

MR. PETERSON: They're our customer, correct?

MR. KOGELNIK: Correct.

MR. PETERSON: That's sticky.

MR. KOGELNIK: It is. But I'm telling you as sticky as it is -- we had a very productive conversation -- he and I can put it on paper, and it's up to you to decide whether or not that's what you want his role to be. I can't do that for you.

MR. SULLIVAN: But that needs to be ruled out at a meeting, what you and him decide his role is too.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, because he wants to be told what, you know, he's responsible for. And if I was the operator of record, I totally agree with that.

MR. PETERSON: I totally agree.

MR. KOGELNIK: He can't start taking ownership and responsibilities of back flow preventers, where they're placed, meters, where they're placed, connections and how they're made after the point of connection on a main line. That's -- it needs spelled out. Okay. We talked about Woodridge Way. As you know, I've got some time wrapped up into that and I need an opportunity to invoice for my time. Next one is Lipkey Road. I've spent a great deal of time on Lipkey Road's water line issue and given the Village a lot of advice on that, but I don't have an opportunity to invoice. And I'll be talking about that in a minute. Hallock Young Road water line, that design is ongoing like I said. Right now we're defining an alignment and reviewing that alignment with Darren; and while we're doing so we're identifying all the utilities in the area, trying to avoid impact to them. I&I project updates, we're still flow monitoring out on the system. We're seeing that there's an issue in measuring the flow coming from Hood Road. And what I wanted to ask Darren was if it was okay to utilize the prior data that Darren measured from Hood Road rather than to proceed along with the flow monitoring further so that we could do it.

MR. SULLIVAN: So you have the two rented monitors there?

MR. KOGELNIK: We have meters in the system that have been operating for some time. But we didn't get that flow from Hood Road coming down, and we want to know from Darren if we can use his older data.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Chris, I think there might be older data that Mark Delisio from CT collected for that area as well.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. I'll ask him. I'm going to see him tomorrow. Pritchard-Ohltown water booster station, we have not yet begun any work on that. We're respecting the Village's decision not to start that one right away. That one will be a project in '23 I presume. But we must -- we'll wait for you to decide. Trumbull Energy Center is planning to meet with everybody on January 17 at 2:00 p.m. And I think you wrote that one down before, Cindy. So this is one that we should not miss. This is going to be a pre-planning meeting for site plan review. And we don't know a whole lot on that project, but we're going to ask.

MR. SULLIVAN: What was the date?

MR. KOGELNIK: January 17, 2:00 p.m. here. We have a lot of questions to ask.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: If more than one of the Board members

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plans on attending that meeting, let me know so we can advertise the meeting.

MR. KOGELNIK: Somebody from the BPA should be there.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Right. But if there's two, we have to advertise.

MR. KOGELNIK: The new 24-inch water line from MVSD, this is and remains an important element of infrastructure in the Village. I'm personally disappointed that did not move forward in '22, probably the BPA is feeling the same.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, since it was such an emergency to get it passed.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah. And right now it's not being taken very seriously. I am happy that the Mayor appointed Bob Bond to look after the project, but I'm not sure where this is going.

MR. SULLIVAN: Where are we with the zoning?

MR. KOGELNIK: What zoning?

MR. SULLIVAN: The line coming from Warren to the plant. I understood that there was some problems with that.

MR. KOGELNIK: The transmission line for TEC?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's different. That's the -- that's Warren's water. We're talking about MVSD.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'm sorry.

MR. KOGELNIK: I'll get to your question in a minute. But that water line is very important, it needs to be done; and actually it impacts one of your road projects on Salt Springs Road. If we can't get that thing lined up for that 24-inch water line we're going to have to make an executive decision, I think, and get that road paved. It's not going -- that road's condition is not going to last two more winters. So we have a big decision to make on that. Now to your point, Warren's water line. Yes, it's going to cross underneath Salt Springs Road there; and hopefully it's going to dive deep and go underneath so we can safely pass over it with our new water line when it gets built. But that's -- those are the details that we're going to be reviewing with the TEC staff. We just need to get that water line in gear with MVSD and get going on it. And of course, at the end of that water line we've got another water storage tank that we're planning to put, you know, near the existing storage tank; and that new one will be a 4 million gallon. In '23 we have an upcoming -- hopefully an upcoming decision from Ohio E.P.A. on LEC. Remember the MPES permit?

MR. PETERSON: I was going to ask if you've heard anything.

MR. KOGELNIK: No, I have not heard anything.

MR. PETERSON: That's surprising.

MR. KOGELNIK: And this is another variable that might impact the sewer rate. So it's going to be hard to conclude the sewer rate study without a decision on that. So we might have to push the Ohio E.P.A. and tell them what decision the Village wants on that, but we've left it up to them for right now. Fourteen, I drafted a letter for the Village BPA to consider for Foxconn. That letter is going to be used in the Appalachian Regional Commission, ARC, application that I write for the Village in April for that water line project. I would use that with Foxconn, I'd utilize that with the Regional Chamber, Eastgate, and maybe even Ultium. Having said Foxconn, you know your agreement is -- there's still no agreement, right?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That is correct.

MR. KOGELNIK: When is the Village going to establish an

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agreement for water service with Foxconn?

MR. SULLIVAN: Well Darren was supposed to get a hold of me, we were supposed to go over and talk to Foxconn and get a timeline on it or get an agreement on it.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. Well, you couldn't be in a better position right now to do that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you want to go?

MR. KOGELNIK: I'll go. I will go.

MR. SULLIVAN: I think that would be good.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah. I mean, the intent is for that new Hallock Young Road water line to be able to service Foxconn, not just to be, you know, a connector for the loop. And the other reason I'm saying the Regional Chamber is because at the end of that water line there's a potential customer that the Regional Chamber's championing in that vacant spot on the west side of Ellsworth-Bailey. All right. The last item, I had submitted to Ron Radtka a proposed retainer for the Village. I do a lot of work for the Village that it has a hard time landing on any invoice. You know, it's hard to, you know, develop a project for only two hours or something like that. And so I developed a proposed retainer for the Village Council to review, and it also has part of it for the BPA. You know, we come to a lot of meetings, we do a lot of things that really aren't a project, they're more of a service than anything. And so I'm asking for both the Council and the BPA to consider an annual retainer. That's all I have.

MR. PETERSON: Ron has that?

MR. KOGELNIK: Ron Radtka has it. He was going to distribute it to the Council members. Are there any questions for me?

MR. SULLIVAN: What -- my previous question on that line that goes from Warren to TEC, I understood that there were some problems with getting people to sign --

MR. KOGELNIK: Easements. I don't know the status of that, Mike. That is one question that's going to be on the list for January 17.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

MR. KOGELNIK: And another big one that Cindy even, you know, recalled was that water line eventually coming over to the State Route 45 Warren 16 and connecting. Remember it had the potential to connect in there, to create that loop with a normally closed valve. So there's a lot of questions we need to ask.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Any more questions for Chris?

MR. SULLIVAN: No.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Thank you, Chris.

MR. SULLIVAN: I was just thinking about the 17th, it sounds like the full BPA should be here.

MR. PETERSON: I mean, I'm good if you're good.

MR. SULLIVAN: I'm good.

MR. PETERSON: Do you want to just tell her that? Kevin, are you available on the 17th?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes. I already had it marked up. Chris brought it up one time we talked.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

3. Utility Committee Report

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Utility Committee Report.

MR. REIDER: The only thing I have is to let everyone here know this is my last meeting, okay. I have enjoyed working with all of you. I think I've attended every regularly scheduled BPA meeting this year, and I only hope that the individual who get appointed does

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the same because I think it's very important that Council knows what's going on with the BPA and vice versa. Okay. So with that I'm going to leave. - I have an appointment.

MR. SULLIVAN: Thank you for your service.

MR. PETERSON: Thank you very much for your service.

MR. KOGELNIK: Thank you, Don.

MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you, Don.

MR. REIDER: You're welcome, Darren.

4. Clerk's Report

MR. PETERSON: Number 4, Clerk's Report.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No report.

5. Superintendent's Report

MR. PETERSON: Superintendent's Report. Did Darren give you anything or --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: He just asked to be sure that the personnel issue was --

MR. SULLIVAN: Be resolved, which it was.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Uh-huh. I will draft a letter for the Mayor to appoint him. The question is the date. Our first workday is January 3. Is that the day that you would like to make his hiring effective?

MR. SULLIVAN: Sounds good.

MR. PETERSON: I'm okay with that, yeah. Do you need that in the form of a motion or --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Well, you did the -- to hire him full-time, you made that motion. Do you want to just amend it to state effective January 3?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah.

MR. PETERSON: I'll second that. All in favor.

(All respond aye.)

MR. PETERSON: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. PETERSON: Motion passed. All right. And will you let Darren know that we're working on the vacation stuff?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Absolutely. That is not a problem.

MR. PETERSON: Thank you.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

MR. PETERSON: All right. Member Comments. Do you have anything?

MR. SULLIVAN: No, I'll just -- I'll get with Darren and Chris and try to get in there as soon as we can.

MR. PETERSON: Into Foxconn? Okay. Kevin, I know you're on the phone. Do you have anything?

MR. CAMPBELL: No, nothing additional. Thanks, guys. And Merry Christmas.

MR. SULLIVAN: You too. And get better.

MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah, that's the plan. I don't want to give this to anybody for the holidays.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, for sure.

MR. PETERSON: And the only thing I have, I would like to wish a Merry Christmas to everybody and a Happy New Year.

QUARTERLY APPROVAL OF BILLING ADJUSTMENTS:

January, April, July, and October

MR. PETERSON: Know quarterly approvals for Bill.

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ADJOURNMENT:

MR. PETERSON: So motion to adjourn.
 MR. SULLIVAN: So moved.
 MR. PETERSON: Second. All in favor?
 (All respond aye.)
 MR. PETERSON: All opposed?
 (No response.)
 MR. PETERSON: Motion passed.

(Meeting ends 5:24 p.m.)

C E R T I F I C A T E

STATE OF OHIO)
 TRUMBULL COUNTY) SS.

I, Deborah I. Lavelle, a Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that the foregoing meeting before the Board of Public Affairs was written by me in the presence of the Members and transcribed by me using computer-aided transcription according to the stenotype notes taken at the time the said meeting took place.

I do further certify that I am not a relative, counsel or attorney of any Member, or otherwise interested in the event of this action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Niles, Ohio on this 19th day of January, 2023.

 DEBORAH I. LAVELLE, Notary Public
 My Commission expires 4/15/2027

Submitted:

Approved by:

Cinthia Slusarczyk, Clerk

Kevin Campbell, President