

Village of Lordstown Board of Trustees of Public Affairs

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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
MEETING OF THE LORDSTOWN VILLAGE BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
1455 Salt Springs Road, Lordstown, Ohio  
July 17, 2025  
3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Christopher Peterson, President  
Mr. Michael Sullivan, Vice-President  
Mr. Stanley Czeck, Board Member  
Mr. Darren Biggs, Supt. of Utilities  
Ms. Cinthia Slusarczyk, Clerk  
Mr. Christopher Kogelnik, Engineer  
Atty. Matthew Ries, Solicitor  
ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Jessica Blank, Village Council  
Mr. Liam Mathews, Verdantas

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS taken before me, DEBORAH LAVELLE, RPR, a court reporter and Notary Public within and for the State of Ohio on this 17th of July, 2025.

LORD'S PRAYER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL:

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Chris Peterson.  
(No response.)  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Michael Sullivan.  
MR. SULLIVAN: Here.  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Stanley Czeck.  
MR. CZECK: Here.  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Darren Biggs.  
MR. BIGGS: Here.  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Cinthia Slusarczyk, present. Chris Kogelnik.  
MR. KOGELNIK: Present.  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Matt Ries.  
ATTY. RIES: Here.  
MR. SULLIVAN: We don't need to excuse Chris?  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: He's on his way. He's just running behind.

APPROVAL AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES:

June 17, 2025 2:00 Meeting  
June 17, 2025 4:00 Meeting  
July 1, 2025

MR. SULLIVAN: Approval of the minutes for June 17 for 2:00, June 17 for 4:00, and July 1 for 2025.  
MR. CZECK: I'll make a motion to accept the minutes.  
MR. SULLIVAN: Yes. I second. All in favor?  
(All respond aye.)  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: I think they have to be done individually. So, I took that for June 17 -- the acceptance for the June 17 2:00 meeting.  
MR. SULLIVAN: Correct.  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: So, the June 17 4:00 meeting.  
MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. Make a motion for the June 17 4:00 meeting.  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: Okay.  
MR. CZECK: So moved.  
MR. SULLIVAN: Second. All those in favor?  
(All respond aye.)  
MS. SLUSARCZYK: And then July 1.

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MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, July 1. I make a motion to accept the minutes for July 1.

MR. CZECK: I'll second.

MR. SULLIVAN: All those in favor signify by saying aye.

(All respond aye.)

MR. SULLIVAN: Those opposed?

(No response.)

MR. SULLIVAN: The ayes have it.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

MR. SULLIVAN: Do we have any correspondence?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No. No correspondence.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

MR. SULLIVAN: Public Comments.

(No response.)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. A Resolution recommending that Village Council authorize the Village of Lordstown to enter into a master agreement for funding of legal, engineering and construction costs with Foxconn EV Property Development, LLC**

MR. SULLIVAN: New Business. Resolution recommending that Village Council authorize the Village of Lordstown to enter into a master agreement for funding of legal, engineering and construction costs with Foxconn EV Property Development, LLC.

MR. CZECK: Do you want to say something about that?

MR. KOGELNIK: I can give a description of all that and make a segue for when Chris comes in if you want. Okay?

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah.

MR. KOGELNIK: The terms of the master agreement, we'll let Solicitor Ries describe that. From the engineering perspective through the construction phase services for the proposed water line, we've submitted our proposal, it is now going to be attached to the Solicitor's Master Funding Agreement. And we think that we've got everything encapsulated in that proposal. So, it just - it needs to get executed along with the Master Funding Agreement. Like we were talking about a few weeks ago, if Foxconn were to build this water line for the Village it could potentially eliminate the need for public bidding which is the traditional delivery of, you know, these kinds of projects. But in this particular case it would be because of the expansion of Foxconn. And so, it's --

MR. SULLIVAN: Will Foxconn agree to that?

MR. KOGELNIK: Foxconn has only verbally stated in meetings all of this. So, the document that Matt has would formalize that into an executable agreement setting forth the construction of that water line, construction phase services, site plan review, and also upgrading the Village's traffic signals, not part of this Board's interests but it's a big effort for the Village.

MR. SULLIVAN: At 45 and Hallock Young?

MR. KOGELNIK: Not that one.

MR. CZECK: The ones that go all the way around the plant, Mike.

MR. KOGELNIK: Different light. There's about eight of them, Mike.

MR. SULLIVAN: Going all the way around?

MR. KOGELNIK: So, Martin has done a good job of working with Main Lite out of Warren to get a scope put together of what all needs to be upgraded, and that is part of the Solicitor's Master Funding Agreement. So, we think that we've got it all put together, it's just that it's been kind of one-sided. We've been putting all this together with the understanding that Foxconn verbally stated that they would do all this. It is an execution of that.

MR. SULLIVAN: So, we can't really do anything until they put ink

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on paper.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah. Yep. So that's where we're at. We've also shared all the technical documents for the Hallock Young water line with Foxconn so that they're aware of the technical specs, the drawings, the permit. The permit is still active, it's active until May of 2028 I believe. And we've shared with them the construction cost estimate, and today we're sharing with them the AutoCAD files so that they can lay it out using, you know, our control drawing. So, we've done everything we possibly can to help out with that. Does the Board have any questions about the scope of all this?

MR. CZECK: Now the cost -- I'm assuming they're going to -- all the cost will be rolled onto them?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes.

MR. CZECK: You don't foresee any --

MR. KOGELNIK: And that's what Matt will describe.

ATTY. RIES: So, the way that I crafted this funding mechanism works, in the past sometimes when we've partnered for these types of agreements for businesses they've reimbursed the Village; and the Village has gone to public bidding and whatever is reimbursed is reimbursed through the company. This is structured a little differently for the water main extension as well as the traffic light improvement. They will contract with the companies directly. And we've asked for that to be Main Lite for the traffic signals, and then they have a contractor who's going to oversee the water line, the water main extensions. And they will contract with them directly, pay them directly, and then once that's done convey that property to us via bill of sale so that way we don't have to go through public bidding. So that will be handled completely on their dime. In terms of engineering and legal costs, those will still go through the Village then and then being reimbursed in a similar manner like we did with LEC and TEC. So those would be reimbursed to the Village after using professional services.

MR. SULLIVAN: So, would we still use CT or their engineers?

ATTY. RIES: You would use CT for CT's work. We have task orders in here. I've included standard protection in here, bond requirements, insurance requirements naming the Village as additional insured for any damage to the Village's property during construction. I prepared that based on the information provided to me from the Village. This has not been negotiated with Foxconn or their in-house attorneys, I haven't spoken with any of them. These are the terms as I understand them that were agreeable to the Village and 30,000 foot perspective agreed to by Foxconn. What we wanted to do though is have this ready for the meeting so it could be approved before -- by resolution and put before Council for Monday's meeting. They pay for all the construction and everything for materials outright directly from them, then they reimburse for engineering and legal services.

MR. KOGELNIK: One other technical matter regarding the meters. We were wondering about the existing meter on the east side, which the meter pit we have learned is owned by Foxconn -- they confirmed that -- and the meter inside is Warren's. So being that the meter pit is Foxconn's, it is possible that we -- you know, that Foxconn could allow us to use that meter pit, all right. So that's one idea right now. It needs -- that needs to be flushed out. We don't have all the details for that. And I assume that's going to be flushed out as the project proceeds on. Going towards more so in front of the middle of the old assembly plant, they have a new building that they are proposing there. And that may require its own service line, and maybe Darren could mention what that service line could do.

MR. BIGGS: Chris, I will. I was waiting until you were done. I saw your e-mail today and I didn't have time to respond to it. When I mentioned it would be a good time to put a tap in right there and perhaps another service line going to that building, not knowing how much water is going to be but it's supposed to be a lot, significant, I saw in your e-mail that the Village will

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require that. I don't believe that's going to be the case. It was a suggestion because it's a good time to do it when they put the line in.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay.

MR. BIGGS: So, it's more of a suggestion. I don't think we can force them to do it. If they want to, they can run that water all the way through their plant and in that building if they want. I know it wasn't in your drawing before because you didn't know about it, but I thought it would be a good idea to have the easement with the pit you're talking about. And I said we just need to be able to get to it, it's on their property anyway. It was brought to my attention that we might need to get an easement so there is no problem if I needed to get to that pit or back yard. So, we may need to revisit that and possibly get an easement on that where the pit is.

MR. KOGELNIK: Would you please reply all to that.

MR. BIGGS: I could have; I didn't get a chance today. I want to bring it to your attention. I read it but I didn't get a chance to reply to your e-mail.

MR. CZECK: So, they own the pit?

MR. BIGGS: Correct.

MR. CZECK: But that's Warren's meter in there?

MR. BIGGS: Correct.

MR. CZECK: Is it big enough to handle--

MR. BIGGS: I don't know what they're asking for yet, Stan. We need to wait for the PPE form to actually see. We know that there's -- I believe it's two 10-inch lines that go in there coming off of a 16, but I don't know what their service is after that point either. So, we would need to know that and what their new requirements are going to be to see if that's the case or not, and we don't have that information.

MR. CZECK: Okay.

MR. SULLIVAN: I thought that sometime in August they were supposed to announce whatever the product was going to be.

MR. BIGGS: I haven't heard when their announcement is going to be, Mike. I don't know.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you, Chris?

MR. KOGELNIK: No. But site plan review moves forward, and with site plan review these things -- many of those things are made public, and we should probably wait for site plan review. So -- but Darren's right, we need to wait for them to provide that information; and with some of that knowledge we'll be able to understand what their demands are, what their pressure requirements are, that sort of thing. So -- and thank you, Cindy, for providing your reply on the timeline that Lordstown would want for building a new water line; and I think Matt has encapsulated that into the Master Funding Agreement.

MR. SULLIVAN: If that's an old meter in that pit, is there a possibility we could take it out and put a Lordstown meter in there, Chris?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, that is a possibility.

MR. BIGGS: Mike, we probably should do that anyway. I believe it is old. Regardless of the age, we can't read it without going in there anyway. They have a different reading system than we do. So that way we're starting fresh, brand-new, we could read it, and obviously the accuracy was a little bit off. I think it's a good idea to start fresh anyhow.

MR. SULLIVAN: I do too.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I believe this agreement says that they will be responsible for purchasing any meter and back flow that's required to make the section.

MR. BIGGS: Chris put that in there. I recommended that.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Yeah, right. Chris said that I asked for a timeline, and I did. And it's not for like when or how they do it, but I didn't want to leave it open-ended for them to build or construct this water line around the plant. So, I asked for it to state substantial completion within 18 months of the signing of the agreement. They might not agree to that, but I would still like to have this water line knowing that we're not going to wait forever

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to have the water line done forever anyhow.

MR. BIGGS: I think the other timeline that was in there too was to sign up for our service for the east side. And I had mentioned that I think it should be done right away because without that we can't serve them on that side when we -- you know, if we take over the Warren meter pit or Foxconn's Warren meter pit. So, I think that should be immediate also when the line gets put in there.

ATTY. RIES: And that's the language we used. I put immediately in the agreement.

(Chris Peterson enters the meeting at this time.)

MR. KOGELNIK: So, over the next week, maybe two weeks, we're probably also going to be getting a timeline of what their priorities are for building all this. And hopefully, you know, they will approve the Master Funding Agreement. Do you have any questions, Chris, about item number 1?

MR. PETERSON: No, I really don't. I haven't had a chance to totally read over it yet either.

MR. KOGELNIK: I think you were included in several of the e-mails.

MR. PETERSON: I've been out-of-town, so I haven't really done anything else. Are we ready for passage of it.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't think so.

MR. CZECK: I think any adjustment, if we do catch some, Council will make them. They have to approve it anyways.

MR. SULLIVAN: We can't do anything now, can we?

ATTY. RIES: You can vote on it or resolution, and there's signature on there for the BPA to have sign.

**MR. SULLIVAN: I make a motion we approve it.**

**MR. CZECK: I'll second that.**

**MR. PETERSON: All in favor?**

**(All respond aye.)**

**MR. PETERSON: Opposed?**

MR. SULLIVAN: Do we need a roll call vote on that?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: No.

ATTY. RIES: No, I mean -- no.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: To be clear, Mike, you made the motion and Stanley you seconded?

MR. CZECK: Yes, yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Okay. Thank you. I have the document here. There are multiple signatures required. Before you leave tonight, I'll have you all sign it.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Clean Energy Future - Trumbull, LLC - Sanitary Sewers in Lordstown & Ohio EPA PTI**

MR. PETERSON: All right. First item under Old Business, Clean Energy Future Trumbull L.L.C. Sanitary sewer and Lordstown --

ATTY. RIES: So, we've been going back and forth. I've talked to TEC and Council about this. The situation is they want to connect into -- directly into the sanitary sewer line along 45. We've told them they have to connect into our sanitary sewer system. I am in the process of scheduling a meeting with TEC, and some of you guys have been involved, for Tuesday where we're going to hash this out and a couple other items just dealing with the TEC project. There's been some progress in that with Mr. Harvey, who's leading this TEC project after Steve Remillard left and when communication fell off. Steve Remillard has come back onto the project, and one of their attorneys has come back, so we think lines of communication might become more productive because they were productive when Steve and that attorney was involved before. We're requesting a meeting to discuss that. One thing they've proposed when I talked to them on Friday, because I've insisted that, you know, under the law if you have a sanitary sewer district operated, you know, through the county

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before a municipal incorporates, they have continuing jurisdiction to continue to maintain those lines. But we, of course, now have our own sanitary sewer district, so our position is TEC is required to hook into our system. What they've most recently proposed is well, if it's just about the money, what if we just pay you the same amount we would have paid you if we hooked into your system and we go right out to the street and hook into Trumbull's. That's something they threw out when I talked to the attorneys on Friday.

MR. CZECK: Well, they originally said that twenty years they would pay us --

MR. KOGELNIK: There was a schedule in the agreement.

MR. CZECK: And then it ended, or I can't remember what the deal was -- that was quite a while ago.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah, you're right.

MR. CZECK: Obviously it's a continuing thing until the plant stops. So, I believe, you know, if they want to do something like that I really don't have a problem with it; but that contract should go until they're done if they want to just give us an equal amount --

MR. PETERSON: If they were to build something --

MR. CZECK: -- for the amount they are going to use.

MR. KOGELNIK: Well in the case of Warren with General Motors, when General Motors' doors closed that agreement ended on 2018. Should there be something written to that effect? Because we have talked about that a couple times during BPA meetings where what happens if TEC should not exist. That's industrial-zoned property, prime industrial-zoned property. Is the Village's prerogative to, you know, make money off of that property now; or is the Village's prerogative to make sure that property is sewerred by the east side system? Because you know, if in the event that industry ceases to exist -- you know, right now we know that the admin building constitutes a flow that is minimal. But if you should get an industry in there that would situate on that property, it's more likely that that industry is going to have a higher flow.

MR. PETERSON: I still think it's a lot cleaner if they just tie into us, and you have proven the ability to tie into us.

MR. KOGELNIK: So, Matt and I have talked ad nauseam, I have talked with Ohio E.P.A., the people that are reviewing this PTI for TEC. And without going into details because I don't think we should do that right now, it doesn't look favorable for the Village. And you know it's -- you know, I think that you need to probably, if you have the opportunity, put some teeth into the new agreement that you're going to make with TEC in the event that they vacate.

MR. PETERSON: How soon do you need an answer? Like now?

ATTY. RIES: Oh no, no. I mean, we're going to talk to them Tuesday, yeah. We're going to talk to TEC's attorney Tuesday, kind of float around these options and report back. Yeah. So -- and I've submitted everything that we can on our end for our position to the Ohio E.P.A., that they need to connect into our sewer.

MR. KOGELNIK: I firmly believe what I said, because when LEC and TEC were born we knew that they were going to consume up to 250 prime industrial acres. And that's typically how a municipality, you know, makes their revenue to offset, you know, the cost that they have system wide. And if you can't do that, you had better be looking for other industry that are going to cover that plant cost. So, it's really not so much the flow that's coming from TEC.

MR. PETERSON: No, it's not.

MR. KOGELNIK: Right. It's just the --

MR. PETERSON: What can happen in the future.

MR. KOGELNIK: The planned expansion and the planned cost coverage that you have. It's business. You have got to look at it as a business. So, the e-mail that I have here that my associate Liam copied is what I sent to John Schmitt at Ohio E.P.A., and it contains all the comments that I thought the Village would consider relevant including the sanitary sewer connection for their admin building, but more so for, you know, the PTI in general. And

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I think it's worth while for you guys to read and understand, especially if you're going to be talking with TEC regarding any sort of NPDES renewal. So that's why it's in front of you.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

MR. BIGGS: Matt, is this a meeting that I should be at or need for or --

ATTY. RIES: Yeah. So, you were included. I circulated a group -- an e-mail to the group and said please include whoever else you want, and you were copied on the "sent" with the information.

MR. BIGGS: It was forwarded. I wasn't sure if that was a request or not.

ATTY. RIES: Yeah, you're wanted for Tuesday. Are you available?

MR. BIGGS: That's fine. I just wanted to make sure, so that I can make myself available. That's no problem. I'll make myself available.

ATTY. RIES: It's Tuesday at 11:00. And the bigger picture is just to re-establish lines of communication with them but to tackle some of these very specific items that we're waiting on answers for.

(Mayor Jackie Woodward enters the meeting at this time.)

MR. PETERSON: Okay. So, I guess we'll report back when you find out about the Tuesday meeting.

**2. A Resolution recommending that Village Council authorize the Village of Lordstown to enter into a first addendum to the water supply agreement with the City of Warren for the Trumbull Energy Center Project**

MR. PETERSON: Second item, the resolution that's been on the agenda for a while about the first addendum water supply agreement with the City of Warren. We're still on hold with that, correct?

ATTY. RIES: Yeah, there hasn't been any final determination with the crossings.

MR. KOGELNIK: No, there hasn't. But remember, I haven't been -- I haven't participated in their meetings. They had one today actually, and I have gotten two or three e-mails. So, I need for really the Road Super and the chairman of the road committee to tell me --

MR. PETERSON: Where they're at with everything.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes. And they need to tell me go ahead and resume, you know, staying abreast of what is going on with the road crossings.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

MR. KOGELNIK: So, there's several things there that are relevant to the road and relevant to the water and sewer, you know. Like I said before, the Salt Springs Road crossing, they are now planning to go back to the original intention which was to open cut. And so, they likely will impact the water, storm, sanitary sewer that crosses right there. And so, we better take a look at the plan again, make sure that we're comfortable, because right now I can tell you that the plan that I received is only for a horizontal directional drill scenario.

MR. SULLIVAN: That's what we should push for?

MR. KOGELNIK: Well, I don't think that we should necessarily push for that. But if they're going to suggest an open cut crossing, Mike, then they must have a plan for that. Now if you're not comfortable with that plan yeah, the Village does have the prerogative to push back and say no, we want a directional drill. But you know, it's -- this gets down to money and methods and you must be comfortable with that. And the only way to do that is to see a formal plan from them, and they haven't produced that for an open cut scenario.

**3. Rules and Regulations Governing Water Use and Service**

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Item number 3, rules and regulations governing water use and services. Any updates on that? I don't have any.

**4. Niles Bulk Water Agreement**

MR. PETERSON: Item number 4, Niles Bulk Water Agreement. Matt.

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ATTY. RIES: I mean, no update since our last meeting. My recommendation would be that being as just that they're so slow to move on this, if we want to combine the agreements and make a proposal, then I simply draft a combination of agreements. You guys approve it, and I send it to Phil Zuzolo and put it on their lap. If we wait for them to take the initiative it will be another meeting, and I don't know if that would be productive.

MR. PETERSON: Are you guys okay with that? I'm okay with that.

ATTY. RIES: Are you okay with that, Cindy? I know we talked about potentially another meeting.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I agree with you, Matt. Some progress, even if it's rejection, is better than the radio silence that we have.

MR. KOGELNIK: Can I ask a question about that? This one isn't really on my agenda. But how does the Niles Bulk Water Agreement affect what the Village may do with the 24-inch water line?

MR. SULLIVAN: I think it depends where we put it.

MR. KOGELNIK: Right, right. If we connect somewhere else other than Niles --

MR. CZECK: It would still be through Niles, through their system -- billing system.

MR. SULLIVAN: Yeah.

MR. CZECK: We can't avoid that. We're a customer of Niles regardless.

MR. KOGELNIK: No matter if it's --

MR. CZECK: No matter where it comes from, Mahoning Valley.

ATTY. RIES: And we would want to build that into the new agreement because the new agreement requires us -- it would require all of that notice and an amendment if we were going to do that, and we would want to get permission from them if they are not connecting directly to their system. If we went to MVSD, we would be a Niles customer. I talked to Attorney Zuzolo, and he said as long as you're a Niles customer, you can't go around us; if you have a more efficient way to hook into the system to get water, as long as you are our customer that's all that matters.

MR. KOGELNIK: I'm glad that you are aware of that because there might be a different location, and that different location would be at the plant.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. Thank you.

MR. SULLIVAN: Did that become a dead horse, the -- us becoming part of Mahoning Valley?

ATTY. RIES: Yes, yes. It was -- I think we were getting different -- you know, we were getting some encouragement from some people, but it was immediately rejected when it got up to the Board level and to the community representatives from Niles, they communicated the same thing.

**5. Trumbull Energy Center - Warren Waterline**

MR. PETERSON: Trumbull Energy Center Warren Water Line.

MR. KOGELNIK: I think we just reviewed that. I don't have any other action on that.

**6. Trumbull Energy Center - Sanitary Sewer**

MR. PETERSON: Trumbull Energy Center Sanitary Sewer. Kind of the same thing?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes.

**7. Project Funding - Eastgate FY2026 ARC Pre-Applications**

MR. PETERSON: Project funding. Any updates on that?

MR. KOGELNIK: So, this is kind of going parallel with what we're doing with Foxconn, isn't it. And so, if the Master Funding Agreement does get executed, item number 7 should be dismissed. And we should inform Eastgate accordingly.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah.

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MR. SULLIVAN: I don't understand.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. So, the Village wanted to apply to ARC for funding on that project. We wouldn't need that.

MR. SULLIVAN: I understand. But we're not talking about the 4.2 for the 24-inch line?

MR. KOGELNIK: No, we're not. This is only for Hallock Young.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah, it's only for Hallock Young.

MR. SULLIVAN: And where are we with the 4.2?

MR. KOGELNIK: We'll get to that.

#### 8. Proposed Hallock Young Road Water Line Improvements

MR. PETERSON: Item number 8, proposed Hallock Young Road Water Line Improvement.

MR. KOGELNIK: As part -- that's part of the Master Funding Agreement. No action.

MR. PETERSON: No action.

#### 9. Salt Springs Road Booster Station Relocation

MR. PETERSON: Item number 9, Salt Springs Road Booster Station Relocation.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. So, in front of you on this attachment that's got the map, this contains our construction phase services for that project. And construction phase services again are your construction, admin, and your inspection, okay. So, everything that's in here I've reviewed it, it looks sound. The only thing that you don't have in front of you are any additional design services such as environmental site assessment. We feel that because you're going to use U.S. E.P.A. and ARPA funds, those are both federal, and you should do an ESA. I did get a price from our service -- our group to do an ESA, and it was I believe \$3,600. So that would go into another task order that we would have that I don't have in front of you right now. The other thing that we're going to need to do is additional Geotech and additional site survey for this property, and those also would be coming to you in the next task order. I'm hoping to have that and maybe I can submit it at the next meeting.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

MR. CZECK: Where are we at on the acquisition of acquiring

the property? Did it hit that 30 day -- wasn't there a time element there?

ATTY. RIES: There is. We must give 30 day notice before we file for the eminent domain act. We must get an appraisal first; it has to be a legitimate appraisal. I got the appraisal, and I gave the appraisal to Ernie's committee to say we need to come up with a price that you guys recommend so we can then make an offer to them to buy the property, which starts the 30-day running.

MR. PETERSON: Do you know if that committee's met?

MS. BLANK: Nope.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. I'll reach out to Ernie. Item number 10, Imperial Sewer Agreement. I'm assuming we're in the same place we were?

ATTY. RIES: Yeah, status quo on that.

MR. PETERSON: What have you got?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: This was a work authorization for --

MR. PETERSON: I'm sorry.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Correct, Chris. You submitted this work authorization.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes. What is in front of you and what I just went over, Chris, is a work authorization.

MR. PETERSON: It is, sorry about that.

MR. KOGELNIK: What we now call task orders.

MR. PETERSON: Yep. Sorry about that.

MR. KOGELNIK: So, go ahead.

MR. PETERSON: The task order does everybody see that.

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MR. CZECK: Oh, yeah.

MR. PETERSON: Have you seen it, Mike?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Two pages prior to the map is the task order outline.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. I got it.

MR. PETERSON: So, we have a task order in front of us for \$47,695. Can I have a motion to approve?

MR. CZECK: Now this is -- this is based on this property though, correct?

MR. KOGELNIK: That's correct.

MR. PETERSON: Correct.

MR. CZECK: What happens if this property goes away? I mean, I hate to spend money and then re-spend money.

MR. SULLIVAN: I don't think it can go away, can it?

MR. CZECK: Well, we still must acquire the property.

ATTY. RIES: Yeah, we still must acquire. Of all the property we looked at this seems to be the only option, which is why we're taking the eminent domain route.

MR. PETERSON: I think Stanley's question is can there be a fluke in the eminent domain that --

ATTY. RIES: I mean that -- I don't know what the time is with all of this. But eminent domain typically you get the property, it's just a matter of -- I guess the fluke would be if we can't get a judgment from the court before our funding runs out. I mean, that's potential because the courts do not run quickly, and we don't even have 30 days running yet for me to file the lawsuit. I got to be able to make them an offer. But typically, it's not like the court doesn't rule you're not going to get the property. The court rules you're entitled to the property, the dispute is the value. So, I mean --

MR. PETERSON: So, you're comfortable with us moving forward because it will happen eventually, it's just a timeline of when it will happen.

ATTY. RIES: I would say it wouldn't -- Chris, when would they need this approved. I would say it wouldn't hurt to wait until at least we have, you know, the lawsuit filed, and we know that we're going down that route. I mean -- or is that something --

MR. KOGELNIK: This can wait. But everything on this project has waited, right?

MR. PETERSON: That's what I'm afraid of.

MR. KOGELNIK: So, we don't even have in front of you the couple of design things that I just rattled off, and that needs done first. But if -- let's just say for instance, that this parcel isn't acquired in the manner that you're talking about right now. It could be acquired by a taking, right --

ATTY. RIES: Eminent domain.

MR. KOGELNIK: -- later on?

ATTY. RIES: Yes.

MR. KOGELNIK: So, it's still the same parcel. And the scope of the work for construction wouldn't change, so you wouldn't be wasting your time doing that. And we can't start that construction phase service until you let the project out.

ATTY. RIES: So, this would be no costs incurred for this project until the Village has acquired title or ownership of the property.

MR. KOGELNIK: That's right. You can't move forward with these services until the project is ready for bidding.

MR. PETERSON: So, approving this would not -- you would not do any work until the property was ours.

MR. KOGELNIK: Right, yes.

MR. SULLIVAN: If we didn't get the property, the approval would go away.

MR. PETERSON: Well, not unless we took it away.

MR. KOGELNIK: Potentially, yes. If something detrimental

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happens with your funding or the property and we haven't performed any work -- so let's look at the terms of this. On the task order you will note that it says hourly, it doesn't say lump sum. So, if we don't spend an hour there's no cost. The other thing I want to just remind everybody, this project's physical construction and the construction phase services were to be paid out of the U.S. E.P.A. and the ARPA grants so that the Village wouldn't have any cost exposure. I just want to make that clear. That was the intent.

MR. CZECK: I'm okay with it. I just don't want to get the cart before the horse.

MR. PETERSON: Have you done any of this hourly work to date?

MR. KOGELNIK: No, I said it wouldn't start until you let the project. So, we have to complete those three or four design services first, Chris, then we've got to go through bidding and then we would incur time.

ATTY. RIES: Does it make sense to approve it with an effective date of the date that the Village acquires the property.

MR. KOGELNIK: You can even state that right there on the task order.

ATTY. RIES: Yeah. Why don't you guys just do that. I think that would address both sides.

MR. KOGELNIK: Services would not be started until --

MR. PETERSON: **I make a motion to approve this task order for \$47,695 to begin once the Village acquires this particular piece of property.**

MR. SULLIVAN: **Second.**

MR. PETERSON: **All in favor?**

**(All respond aye.)**

MR. PETERSON: **Opposed?**

**(No response.)**

MR. PETERSON: **Motion passed.** Okay. All right. Any more questions on that?

**10. Imperial Sewer Agreement**

MR. PETERSON: Item number 10, Imperial Sewer Agreement. I'm assuming we're still --

ATTY. RIES: Status quo.

**11. Utility Department Building**

MR. PETERSON: Item number 11, utility Department Building. Has anybody decided anything yet?

MAYOR WOODWARD: There hasn't been a meeting for Council to decide anything.

**12. I&I**

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Item number 12, I&I.

MR. BIGGS: Only thing I have on that is that one riser we're going to try out, he had some more questions on it. We worked out the details on it, so it delayed it, I'm still waiting on that. And hopefully we can get it on there real soon and find out how they are working.

MR. SULLIVAN: You haven't put it in yet?

MR. BIGGS: No, no. I haven't received it yet. He had come out here and we talked about it, and he had some more questions. It should have been on order. He didn't put it through, he had some more questions, we worked it out. And the salesperson is taking his time on this one, let's put it that way; but hopefully it can be installed. I'll let you know. Those are just for the grinders anyway, the couple of them. So that's as far as I'm taking it anyway for I&I right now.

MR. SULLIVAN: Why?

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Any more questions on that?

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

MR. PETERSON: Seeing none, any additional Public Comments?

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(No response.)

**REPORTS:**

**1. Solicitor's Report**

MR. PETERSON: Seeing none, Reports. Solicitor's Report.

ATTY. RIES: No report.

MR. PETERSON: Any questions for Matt?

**2. Engineer's Report**

MR. PETERSON: Item number 2, Engineer's Report.

MR. KOGELNIK: I did not have a written report for this meeting. But I did also have this task order in front of you which has a spreadsheet. You might remember seeing this spreadsheet, I distributed it last fall.

MR. PETERSON: Yep.

MR. KOGELNIK: The spreadsheet contains due diligence tasks that would be necessary for the future 24-inch water line. And why the task order is attached is task number five, which is completing hydraulic modeling of the existing 24-inch transmission line and the future 24-inch transmission line MVSD plant to the connection point to Lordstown. And so, with this task order we're recommending that that \$10,000 that I had estimated last year be increased to \$16,000; and with that \$16,000 we would do all of this work that's listed out on the task order. Do you see that, those bullet points?

MR. PETERSON: Uh-huh.

MR. KOGELNIK: And obviously the one thing that we're really wanting to know is the answers to the existing 24-inch transmission line, why we can't get the flow we need. All right. So that's one of the objectives of this task order. Instead of using the old analog gauges that we secured with the air release valve project, we would instead utilize hydro pressure recorders so that we can get more real-time and digital data to analyze the existing transmission line. Furthermore, we would be talking with MVSD to understand their control of flow through the center Niles 24-inch transmission line which you are connected to. We think that there is a significant issue right there.

MR. SULLIVAN: Three meetings ago we thought the problem was from here to --

MR. KOGELNIK: Yep.

MR. SULLIVAN: And we don't think that anymore?

MR. KOGELNIK: That very next day I went back to our group and they had done some other homework and they --

MR. SULLIVAN: And now we're where he had recommended?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes. It was not in that spot where I had stated in front of the admin building to the top of the hill. So, I went back the next day, talked with our team, and they concluded that they -- that was not the location.

MR. SULLIVAN: So now what location are we at?

MR. KOGELNIK: We don't know. We don't know.

MR. PETERSON: Did we realize any additional flow from the air release?

MR. KOGELNIK: No.

MR. PETERSON: So, we're still to where we were before.

MR. SULLIVAN: What happened, you said that you were going to go back and --

MR. BIGGS: Right. What we had is what I wanted to do is get some better data like Chris was just talking about. It was first reported that maybe down there toward the vault or between the air releases 1, 2, and 3 there could be an issue. So, what we're going to do is use the HPO things he was talking about, put those on there and get an actual reading considering where we know MVSD don't change pumps, doesn't stop pumps, Niles doesn't flow any at the time. There was going to be a coordinated effort between us all so we know where exactly our static point is and read them all at the same time. It was going to be

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set up as a meeting between us so we could move forward and I didn't hear anything, so that's why I reached out to Alan, Chris' colleague, there, to see where we're at. So that's what he's putting together for us now, and I believe that's going to be the case. Is that correct, Chris?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes. Everything that's listed on the task order is everything that Alan and I --

MR. BIGGS: I just got this too, Mike. So I briefly read it over.

MR. SULLIVAN: So if you found that it was pumps either coming from Mahoning Valley or Niles, wouldn't that be on them?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, it could be. But we don't know that without coordinating with them.

MR. SULLIVAN: I understand.

MR. KOGELNIK: So it's probably going to take a good amount of effort to go through this with the MVSD to understand how they control their flow of water going into that center 24. And like --

MR. SULLIVAN: And we don't have much time to do that.

MR. KOGELNIK: No, you don't. You are under the gun because you are about to connect Foxconn. You need more water yesterday.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, I'm not thinking about the water, I'm thinking about the \$4.3 million.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay. Well, there's that problem too.

MR. PETERSON: I'm thinking about the water.

MR. KOGELNIK: The water to your residents and the businesses comes first. But you know, you don't want to -- you also -- Mike, I agree with you, you don't want to cough up \$4.2 million. And so, the purpose of doing this is to get confident reading on what the existing transmission line can handle. And so that all of these costs that I have listed out on this spreadsheet would be before design. And these would all be your costs, the Village's costs, not -- these would not come out of the grant. I want to make that clear.

MR. SULLIVAN: I understand that.

MR. KOGELNIK: So, I'm recommending that you guys proceed with --

MR. PETERSON: So, you feel this will get us to where we need to get to?

MR. KOGELNIK: I'm hoping that it will, Chris.

MR. PETERSON: Or at least identify the problem.

MR. SULLIVAN: Promises a maybe.

MR. BIGGS: Chris, to me the way I see it, I can't say that that's going to get us where we need to be. I would feel more confident doing another test, putting it all together to better spend that 4.2. I think that's where we're at.

MR. PETERSON: Absolutely.

MR. BIGGS: Little bit deeper maybe we'll find something before we just start digging into that and guessing. That just doesn't make too much sense to me. Get a better idea. I think that's where we're at right now.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, what really concerns me if we're talking about Niles, Christ we can't get a meeting with them, if they drag their feet like they have with everything else.

MR. KOGELNIK: That was the purpose of my question actually to the Solicitor a few minutes ago. I didn't know how this related, and I'm glad that he's aware that there's at least two connection points. But as Stanley stated, it doesn't matter where that is going to be located, it's going to be a Niles.

MR. SULLIVAN: We'll buy the water from Niles, I understand that.

ATTY. RIES: So that would be part of the agreement that we're going to take the initiative to prepare and say here, sign it, you know. I'm going to hand it over to them. But there may be some more motivation when they realize they are going to see increased revenue, because right now we've been fighting over terms with the new agreement about how the rates are being charged. Maybe there's more incentive from them when they realize what we're doing.

MR. KOGELNIK: Let me just walk through what you're going to get out of doing that. We're going to be able to model and gauge the existing

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transmission line. We're also going to be able to model the future connection point if it should be at the plant. So, with that you're going to have the confident understanding of what you can do as you proceed into design before you get there. So, you're basically going to validate your thinking.

MR. PETERSON: I'm okay with it if you guys are.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do we have a guesstimate of how much water Foxconn will use?

MR. PETERSON: I don't believe so.

MR. KOGELNIK: I don't think we have a contract.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: They're going to submit a PPE. I don't believe they have it yet either, they're still trying to work through that.

MR. SULLIVAN: I know when we met with them, they said it would be at least levels that G.M. used, and wasn't that about 900,000?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah, but that was -- that was a couple years ago that they mentioned that. And honestly, Mike, their proposed uses inside this building have changed like the wind. And so, we really don't know, we have to wait for them to --

MR. SULLIVAN: Tell us what they're going to do.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yes.

MR. PETERSON: **All right. I'll make a motion we approve task order number 2025-10 in the amount of \$16,000 for the Lordstown future 24-inch diameter water line due diligent work, item number 1, 5 and 14, correct Chris?**

MR. KOGELNIK: **5. 1 and 14 you actually already authorized.**

MR. PETERSON: **I'm sorry, I'm sorry. 5. Do I have a second?**

MR. CZECK: **I'll second.**

MR. PETERSON: **All in favor?**

**(All respond aye.)**

MR. PETERSON: **All opposed?**

**(No response.)**

MR. PETERSON: **Motion passes -- or approved.** All right. What else do you have?

MR. KOGELNIK: In regards to the TEC waste water, as you know part of their PTI also involves the direct discharge to Mud Creek. And there's a number of comments and questions that I put in that e-mail to the E.P.A. The Board should be aware that, you know, that discharge is going to be comprised of storm water from their site along with blow down, okay. So, it's going to be in one basin and there's going to be an outlet control structure. There's also going to be a sampling point at that outlet control structure. And you should be aware that what I heard from Ohio E.P.A. is that TEC will self-monitor and self-report that sampling.

MR. PETERSON: They don't require an operator.

MR. KOGELNIK: There's no operator. I asked that question.

MR. PETERSON: NPDES, they're requiring no operator.

MR. KOGELNIK: I asked that question pointedly to John Schmitt. What I recommend you guys do -- I'm sure that Ohio E.P.A. is probably going to formalize a memo or something like that from the comments that I gave. But I think that that's something that the Village should, you know, state their opinions about.

MR. PETERSON: Yes, absolutely.

MR. KOGELNIK: Because Councilman Moseley has made it clear, and a few other people on Council have made their concerns clear, those are the comments that I put into that e-mail. They were from the Council. And I'm a little bit concerned about just TEC's staff sampling and telling Ohio E.P.A.

MR. PETERSON: If they do that there's nobody to hold accountable. If there's an operator, we can hold them accountable.

MR. KOGELNIK: I asked E.P.A. what happens if there's an exceedance. He said it would show up on the EDMR. But the problem has already been flushed down the stream. And so, they didn't have a response to that. So, I'm just saying what I think is important that you should be aware of. I

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don't have anything else that is on my list right now. We'll be talking again soon about the Warren water line and the crossings on the three roads.

MR. CZECK: This is just a question. What size retention pond do they carry? Did you ever see that for this site?

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah. It's a fairly good size pond that wraps around their cooling towers. It sits right alongside the end of the stream. And so, they have one discharge location, and there's a sampling hole that they can sample water from. Now Matt was -- Matt was that you that was able to get all of the PTI documents, or did that come directly from Ohio E.P.A.?

ATTY. RIES: It came from the Ohio E.P.A. But they had the wrong e-mail address for you so that's why I forwarded that.

MR. KOGELNIK: There were a lot of documents in there, and I'm not authorized to spend oodles of time reviewing all of that. But if you want all of those documents, I'll send them all to you. There's a lot.

MR. CZECK: Yeah. I was just curious because, you know, you have to hold a certain percentage. But if they discharge at full capacity, you know, what's the 10 percent, 5 percent, I don't know.

MR. KOGELNIK: They have I think a permitted discharge amount of around 600,000 gallons per day.

MR. PETERSON: I think I remember seeing that in there.

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah. And you know that PTI is really unique because it has two discharges in it. It's got one for the pond and one for the sanitary sewer connect from their admin building. That's not normally the case. You would normally separate those. We really need to see that PTI. But the Village may want to comment on that, and the time to comment would be the NPDES renewal.

MR. PETERSON: Have you heard any updates about when that comment period is going to be open.

MR. KOGELNIK: No. I think you should be trying to find that out from the E.P.A. You won't want to miss that.

MR. SULLIVAN: We have several letters. I wrote one, Arno wrote one, I think Cindy wrote one, for LEC. I think we could just take those and update them, Matt. And I'm actually going to be drafting a letter on behalf of the Village to that effect for this renewal permit stating, you know, the Village's position so it's on record with the E.P.A.

MR. KOGELNIK: You know, just so everybody is aware, when it comes to these kinds of treatment facilities this is a very new one and it's innovative. I don't know all the details of how they're going to maintain that basin, that outlet control structure, how they're really going to do all the sampling and monitoring and reporting. But if they have a plan and they really have people that are going to be, you know, monitoring that, especially during really bad weather, because the worst thing that can happen is you can get a gully-washer of a storm to come in and flush that entire pond right into the creek. That would be bad. So how are they going to attenuate that? That's what we want to know, and that's what I'm not getting out of all the paper I'm seeing.

MR. SULLIVAN: Just from the weather we've had this summer.

MR. KOGELNIK: So that's why I've been putting all of that pressure on TEC and Ohio E.P.A. to share with you us those PTI documents.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you think we can do that, Cindy?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Pardon?

MR. SULLIVAN: Update those letters.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: Matt said he was going to do one on behalf of the Village.

ATTY. RIES: Yeah, yeah.

MR. SULLIVAN: Okay.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: And I think I shared the previous letters with you already as well.

ATTY. RIES: Yes, you did. Yes.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: So, he has the old letters and he will be creating

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the new ones.

MR. SULLIVAN: Do you want any signatures on the new updated letters?

ATTY. RIES: Well. I'll format that and I'll get with everybody to figure out who they want -- if I'm signing it or who's going to sign on behalf of the Village.

MR. SULLIVAN: Because is that deal the more letters the better off?

ATTY. RIES: Well, this wouldn't be like a voluminous amount of letters. It would be one letter that sets forth the Village's official position. I know you were talking about getting petitions, getting signatures, people can do that too. But this would be strictly on behalf of the Village what our position is.

MR. SULLIVAN: I know when LEC did it they had a public comment at the school; and there was probably 50, 60 people, they're all giving comments. Are they going to do something like that?

MR. PETERSON: I would assume they would have a meeting for public comment. I would assume they shall usually do -- I don't know if you have to request them or not.

MR. SULLIVAN: Well, I don't know if they will with the new E.P.A.

ATTY. RIES: I'm not sure. They should have one though.

MR. KOGELNIK: I think that's a fair question to ask them.

MR. PETERSON: Yeah. I think you have to request that if I'm correct.

ATTY. RIES: All right. I'll include that in the letter.

MR. PETERSON: All right. Any more questions for Chris?

**3. Utility Committee Report**

MR. PETERSON: Utility Committee Report.

MS. BLANK: Haven't met.

**4. Clerk's Report**

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Clerk's Report.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: All I have is just a simple reminder that the Trumbull Energy Center's bulk water contract off the Warren line on State Route 45 expires two weeks from today. So, if the BPA is willing to renew that or not renew that or there's talks --

MR. PETERSON: Have they reached out to renew it?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I have had no correspondence with TEC.

MR. PETERSON: Matt, have they mentioned that to you at all?

ATTY. RIES: No. It expires in two weeks?

MR. SULLIVAN: That's the whole east side.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That is the water that they are using to test their system now.

MR. PETERSON: For start-up for the plant.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: They have some water on off a 4-inch tap on Henn Parkway which wasn't too far and too inconvenient to use. They wanted to use the Warren 16-inch line that will connect to the new 24-inch that was permitted by a bulk water agreement that we expressively created to end July 31.

MR. PETERSON: They thought the line was going to be in by July 31.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The water that is being tested or put into that plant needs to be put down sewer, put into a retention pond. We don't know anything with the sanitary sewer. So that was our line to clear up what is happening with the sewer, where is that going, how is it going. And really nothing has changed. You'll talk to them on Tuesday?

ATTY. RIES: Yeah, that will be a bullet point.

MR. PETERSON: Okay. Is that all you had, Cindy?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: The other thing was the possibility of having to advertise for a foreman. That is being -- the Master Benefits Ordinance is

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being -- has been revised and it is for Council on Monday night. And that would be retroactive back to, I believe, June 1. So that should resolve the issue of having to advertise for a promotion from within.

MR. SULLIVAN: He -- then we could really just --

MS. SLUSARCZYK: We would not have to do that. And based on the fact that you may -- you did the promotion effective what, June 23 and the master benefits backdating to the June 1, everything should be --

MR. PETERSON: Matt, there shouldn't be anything else we have to do with that.

ATTY. RIES: That's why it's being made retroactive that way. So only basically new positions for outside hires would require the advertisement, not promotions from within.

MR. SULLIVAN: Good.

MR. PETERSON: Cool.

MS. SLUSARCZYK: That's all I have. Do you have any questions for me?

MR. KOGELNIK: I have a question. Regarding RFQ for the design and construction for the future 24, are you guys doing that?

MS. SLUSARCZYK: I talked to Mr. Peterson after our last Board meeting and told him that that was something that needed to --

MR. PETERSON: We need to get on that and do it. I've been gone, but I'll get on doing that now.

MR. KOGELNIK: Okay.

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

**5. Superintendent's Report**

MR. PETERSON: Seeing none -- Superintendent's Report.

MR. BIGGS: On the 22nd our hydrants, we're going to start flow testing them, exercising them, and flushing them. It's going to take a couple months, but we're going to try to get through them and do all three of those things. We'll be starting -- I believe that's a Tuesday.

MR. SULLIVAN: Are you going to do that in conjunction with the Fire Department or --

MR. BIGGS: Yes. Yeah. I -- actually they're going to do almost all the hands-on. That's what we got worked out, yeah. Yeah, so they're helping out, right. Imperial meters, the three master meters that are over there, we're replacing all three of those. I got a quote for \$4,910 to have that totally redone and the backflow preventers that are in there tested. Now it's a quote, so maybe go a little bit above that, give me permission so I can go ahead with that and get those meters done.

**MR. SULLIVAN: Make a motion to buy the three meters and not to exceed \$5,000.**

MR. CZECK: What was that price?

MR. BIGGS: Well, it was \$4,910.

MR. PETERSON: Do you want to be up to \$5,500 to be safe?

MR. BIGGS: You can go six, whatever you feel comfortable with it. Until they get down there they're not going to know time-wise, they are not going to know if the backflows can be tested, if work will need to be done with that. Whatever you're comfortable with. I hate to come back to you while they're there.

**MR. SULLIVAN: Make a motion for 6,000.**

**MR. PETERSON: Second.**

**MR. CZECK: Second.**

**MR. PETERSON: All in favor?**

**(All respond aye.)**

**MR. PETERSON: Opposed?**

**(No response.)**

**MR. PETERSON: Motion passed.**

MR. BIGGS: Applicants, hopefully I can have somebody here by the next meeting. I have had phone interviews, and then by the end of it they're

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kicking around or not getting back to me. They just don't. There's a lot to go through. Just letting you know I am being kind of picky but still trying to move. It's slow. I was hoping we would at least have somebody here tonight, but that didn't happen. So still working on it.

MR. CZECK: Martin's helping you out when he can?

MR. BIGGS: Yes. Yes. Yep.

MR. SULLIVAN: So, when you say you figure on just bringing one person in or two or three or --

MR. BIGGS: It depends on how they fall, Mike. We have got three that are -- that are great, I'll bring them all in. I don't think that's going to happen. My thing is if we find somebody, start them. It would be easier on us than having three new people around here with two guys to train. That just doesn't make any sense to me. I don't -- I think that would be harder, you know. So, if it's -- whether it's a month or whatever else, I was just waiting to see what kind of applicant we got is what I was thinking. Three brand new is not going to do us any good.

MR. SULLIVAN: Are you getting any with sewer and water?

MR. BIGGS: We're not getting anything like that, no. Got some that are similar, close to; but there's nothing, no. No, I got -- I probably went through 300 applications. We put it on Indeed, so there's --

MR. PETERSON: You're getting everything.

MR. BIGGS: There you go. There you go. So, I have to actually read, figure out where they're at and, you know, let alone their qualifications, and I mean there's a lot to it. It's pretty time consuming, but I'm doing it. I'm being a little more picky for now. Once those seem to dry up a little bit I'll go back through them again and we'll talk about it then. All right.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

MR. BIGGS: I asked for a maintenance agreement for our generators. The old company that we had that would take care of all that got bought out by a bigger company, they're not as friendly anymore. We just had that generator put in over at Pritchard. They were very nice to work with, great, knowledgeable, so I asked them to get me a maintenance agreement for our four generators. I also included the Road Department, asked them if they wanted to -- because they were using the old people too that we used to use and they agreed, so we'll be getting a quote from them. When I get that, I'll present it to you.

MR. CZECK: Who was the old company.

MR. BIGGS: Generator Specialists.

MR. CZECK: That's who we used to use.

MR. SULLIVAN: What's the new one?

MR. BIGGS: Pro Engine.

MR. SULLIVAN: Is that local?

MR. BIGGS: Yes. Salem maybe. I'm not real sure, Mike; but yes, they are local so they can come out, they can do random stuff but still be on call. We'll see. That's what they're giving us a quote for. After I see it --

MR. PETERSON: I can attest Generator Specialists has gone downhill lately. That's the company he's leaving or potentially leaving.

MR. BIGGS: Unless you got something for me, I think we covered everything in Chris' that I --

MR. KOGELNIK: The remaining two air release valves that were replaced, those are installed; right, Darren? According to my inspector he said today that they were.

MR. BIGGS: I didn't see anything that was saying it was done.

MR. KOGELNIK: I will follow up and we'll put that in writing to make sure you guys know that they have been installed.

MR. CZECK: That's the one that --

MR. KOGELNIK: Yeah.

MR. PETERSON: Any questions for Darren?

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**MEMBER COMMENTS:**

MR. PETERSON: Seeing none -- Member Comments.  
MR. CZECK: No.  
MR. PETERSON: Mike, anything?  
MR. SULLIVAN: No.

**QUARTERLY APPROVAL OF BILLING ADJUSTMENTS:**

**January, April, July and October**

MR. PETERSON: Quarterly billing adjustments were done last meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

(Meeting adjourns at 4:30 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 30th day of July, 2025.

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

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Cinthia Slusarczyk, Clerk

Christopher Peterson, President