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Town of Mt. Pleasant
Work Session- Water/Sewer Projects
Wednesday, December 15, 2021
1:30-3:15PM- Town Hall Conference Room

Attending:

Mayor Del Eudy, Mayor Pro Tem Lori Furr (Zoom), Commissioner William Meadows, Commissioner Jim Sells, Commissioner Justin Simpson, Randy Holloway, Crystal Smith, Erin Burris, Amy Schueneman, Kenny Black, Darrell Layton, Richard McMillan, LKC Engineering: Adam Kiker (Zoom), Rob McIntyre, Sam Tracy, and Zach Bennett, and WSACC: Chad Voncannon.

The Work Session involved discussion of proposed water/sewer projects with LKC engineering, WSACC, Town Board, and Town Staff. Maps of the projects were given out with a price estimate. (Copies are included in the Minute Book)

The USDA loan of \$8million and the NC State funding of \$8million along with the \$752,000 in ARPA funds will go a long way to take care of the water/sewer needs for the Town into the next 3 or 4 decades.

Rob McIntyre stated it should take another 3 months to finish the water line project engineering plans. Package should go out to bid in summer of 2022. Construction is projected to begin in winter of 2022. Even if the Town takes the Empire Drive Pump Station out of the USDA project it will still be delayed compared to when the Niblock Development on Hwy 49/73 would like for it to be completed.

Currently, the Summer St. Pump Station replacement has been put on hold until the Town Board decides on whether to put a gravity line to Adams Creek with a force main to the Regional Pump Station at Empire Dr. to replace both the Pasture Pump Station and Summer St. Pump Station. The Empire Pump Station will definitely replace the Food Lion and Meadowbrook Pump Stations and according to the WSACC 2007 Water/Sewer Master Plan was the original plan. This would also open 300 acres (in that area) that could potentially be developed. To install an interceptor line on Adams Creek would better utilize the WSACC Pump Station #3 (GMAX) which Chad Voncannon thought was a win-win for the Town and WSACC. The GMAX Pump Station is very underutilized with only the Middle and High School using it. Capacity is up to 500,000 gallons a day and only 30,000 gallons per day are being used. WSACC is planning to upgrade the size of the Force Main lines on Cold Springs Rd. from 8" to 12". If the Town does divert water away from Dutch Buffalo Creek, it would relieve some of the needs at Cold Springs Rd.

At the end of the discussion, Adam Kiker thought the following items would be the most beneficial to the Town:

- 12" Water Line- Cook St.
- 12" Water line- W Franklin St. and Skyland Dr.
- 6" Water Line- S Washington St
- Raw Water Intake Upgrade on Dutch Buffalo Creek
- Adams Creek Regional Sewer- Option #1

Mr. Kiker also cautioned that with all the money being dispersed by Federal and State, prices will increase and finding bidders for projects will become more difficult.

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 It was decided that the Board would like to get together for another Work Session on January 22, 2022 at 8am to prioritize the projects and move forward.

Since this was a Work Session, no actions were taken or motions made.

By our signatures, the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Monday, January 10, 2022 in the Regular Meeting.

Town elerk Amy Schueneman

Mayor W. Del Eudy

