

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Public Improvements Committee Meeting
July 6, 2010

Members: Don Walters, Chair
Mark Ihasz
Terry Mader

Mr. Walters called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m. All members were present.

Legislation Discussed

Temp. Ord. A-91

Temp. Ord. A-92

Discussion

Temp. Ord. A-91

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for improvements to the Portage Trail and Northampton Road intersection, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Walters stated that Administration has requested that this legislation not be discussed at this time. Mr. Demasi stated they went out for bids and received only one bid, which was over the engineer's estimate and budget of the project so they are suspending work. They plan to re-bid the project during the winter when contractors would not be as backlogged as they are now.

Committee recommended holding Temp. Ord. A-91.

Temp. Ord. A-92

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to execute a modification of the contract for the replacement of the storm and sanitary sewers on 9th street, between Chestnut Boulevard and Sackett Avenue, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Demasi stated that during the sewer replacement project on 9th Street, it became evident that the remaining asphalt pavement was in poor condition and needed replacement. They decided to remove the asphalt down to the sub-base. There were also extra costs for additional tree removals, modifications of manholes and to offset the waterline to avoid conflict with the storm sewer. They did have savings because they thought the lines were lead but they were copper. These items caused costs to go over 10% of the original contract. Mr. Walters stated the additional amount is \$35,000 which will complete everything. Mrs. Pyke asked whether handicap ramps would be installed. Mr. Demasi stated he did not know but he would look into it. Mrs. Pyke stated it was a beautiful project and is a job well done. There has not been any flooding in that area or on the connecting streets. She asked if they would continue going down the street. Mr. Demasi stated they are hoping to continue down Chestnut but are still in the design phase.

Committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. A-92.

Mr. Mader had some comments to make. He stated around 2002, the City had a tremendous event that was ongoing, and that was the expansion of the Hardy Road Landfill. Saturday's Beacon Journal

announced an agreement between the City of Akron and the MetroPark System where the park has a 99-year lease for the acreage. He wanted to express his thanks to those on the rail who were here back then. The City Administration, Mayor and everyone in the community gave 100% to help stop that expansion. He thanked the Administration for the time and effort it gave and the money the City came forth with to get an agreement with Waste Management and City of Akron to close the deal that Akron had with Waste Management. He thanked members of the community who stepped up to the plate to make this possible. Everyone can finally breathe easy that this has been taken care of for the next 99 years. He also thanked Akron's Administration for working with the MetroPark to come up with a fantastic ending.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.