

**Public Works Committee
Minutes
6:30 P.M.; May 26, 2009**

Minutes of a meeting of the City of O'Fallon's Public Works Committee, held in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 255 S. Lincoln, O'Fallon, Illinois on May 26, 2009.

CALL TO ORDER: Time: 6:35 P.M.

ROLL CALL: MEMBERS: Engler, Polites; Absent: Medford, Reckamp, True
NON-COMMITTEE ALDERMEN: N. Drolet, J. Drolet, Grogan, Bennett
STAFF LIAISON: Bell, Sullivan, Bowman, Funk
GUESTS: Dave Pfeifer, Douglas & Tamara Morton, Deanne Weiss, Paul White, Maurice & Sylvia Beuckman

No Quorum.

- Item 1. **POI:** 307 & 309 Fontainebleau – Sewer Backup – Douglas & Tamara Morton of 309 Fontainebleau and Maurice & Sylvia Beuckman of 307 Fontainebleau spoke to the committee. The homeowners have submitted letters requesting payment for their damages. The Mortons are upset due to the fact the City's insurance company denied their claim. They asked that the staff provide the report from Friederich Services to the insurance company of the recent inspection of the sewer mains in the Fontainebleau area. Staff will also provide copies to the homeowners. Staff answered questions from the homeowners regarding the Ejector Pump Program. The homeowners would like the City to guarantee that backups will never happen again. (Closed)
- Item 2. **POI:** 303 Fontainebleau – Ejector Pump Program – Deanne Weiss of 303 Fontainebleau requested reimbursement from the Ejector Pump Program. She recently sold the house to Chris & Hollie Norrington, but otherwise met all the requirements of the program. Ms. Weiss could not wait on processing of the claim before sale of the home. Staff will process the claim and make the check payable to all three parties – Weiss, Norrington, and the plumber that installed the device. (Closed)
- Item 3. **POI:** 645 W. Hwy 50 Water Leak – The owner of the property, Mrs. Svendson, had a leak on the customer's side of the service. She went from 7,000 to 63,000 gallons of consumption in one month. The repair has been completed. Mrs. Svendson is asking for an adjustment to her sewer bill. Staff will process the adjustment to her sewer bill. (Closed)
- Item 4. **POI:** Sewer Lateral Program – Staff placed this item on the agenda due to a request by an Alderman. After a brief discussion amongst the Aldermen attending the meeting, the consensus was the issue be removed from further consideration. (Closed)

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- Item 5. **POI:** Sewer Ejector Pump Program - Staff placed this item on the agenda due to a request by an Alderman. After a brief discussion amongst the Aldermen attending the meeting, the consensus was the issue be removed from further consideration. (Closed)
- Item 6. **POI:** Carriel Jr. High School Connecting Sidewalk - Staff updated the committee on the agreement with District #90. The district pays for the design of the sidewalk. AT&T has provided an estimate on relocating their fiber optic cable that blocks completion of the design. Their estimate is \$21,500.38. The City will pay half of the cost. The proposed construction cost from TWM is \$28,869.50. The City will pay this cost. The discussion on this sidewalk section led to discussion about the sidewalk north of the new school which is currently being considered. Parts of that right-of-way are under Township jurisdiction. Mr. Dave Pfeifer stated he has previously spoken to Bill Peach, O'Fallon Township Road Commissioner, regarding sidewalk, and Mr. Pfeifer urged that the city contact Mr. Peach. Staff will approach Mr. Peach about the sidewalk extension. (Closed)
- Item 7. **POI:** Base User Rate for Multiple Units on One Water Meter - Currently, if there are multiple units on a single water meter, each unit is assessed a baser sewer user fee. In the case of the new sewer rates recently passed. A six-unit apartment complex on a single water meter would be charged \$5.00 per unit or \$30. This amendment would change the charge to an amount based on water usage, similar to any other user of water. Say the complex used 30,000 gallons of water during the billing period, then the sewer user fee would be a dollar for each 1,000 gallons of water plus \$4 for a total of \$34. That is if the complex only has a single sewer later. If it had a second lateral, then there would be an additional \$5 charge. The additional charge is a nominal fee for the sewer system tracking this lateral in the system and its potential contribution to I&I (infiltration and inflow). (Closed)
- Item 8. **POI:** CPI Adjustment for Sewer Service Rates, October 2009 - During the last City Council meeting it was discussed to not adjust the sewer rates by the CPI (consumer price index adjustment for water and sewer) in October 2009, due to the sewer rate increase that was passed at that meeting. (Closed)
- Item 9. **POI:** Thomas Acres Sanitary District – In an effort to clean up old ordinances, Staff has determined that the ordinance pertaining to Thomas Acres Sanitary Sewer District is no longer needed. This area that is basically along Elm and Orchard west of Walnut has now long been part of the City and is built-out. The special provisions of the old ordinance section no longer apply. (Closed)
- Item 10. **POI:** 1102 Lorien Court Drainage – No Action. (Open)
- Item 11. **POI:** 211 Howard Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)

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- Item 12. **POI:** Lee & Howard Intersection & Drainage Ditch – No Action. (Open)
- Item 13. **POI:** 209 Joy Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 14. **POI:** 506 Dartmouth Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 15. **POI:** Weber and 50 Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 16. **POI:** 704 Oak Creek Court – No Action. (Open)
- Item 17. **POI:** 600 Block of E. Washington Street Vacation – No Action. (Open)
- Item 18. **POI:** 1105 Elisabeth Drainage Problem - No Action. (Open)
- Item 19. **POI:** 122 Central Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 20. **POI:** 8525 Treybrooke Drainage Problem - No Action. (Open)
- Item 21. **POI:** Moye School Detention (1064 Oxford Hill Drainage Problem) – No Action. (Open).
- Item 22. **POI:** 314 Joy Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open).
- Item 23. **POI:** 506 N. Cherry Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open).
- Item 24. **POI:** 878 Misty Valley Sump Pump Drain Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 25. **POI:** 861 Misty Valley Sump Drain Problem – No Action. (Open).
- Item 26. **POI:** 621 Wintergreen Sump Pump Drain Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 27. **POI:** Misty Valley Street End of Roadway Drainage - No Action. (Open)
- Item 28. **POI:** Mulberry Ditch Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 29. **POI:** 931 Crabapple Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)

ADJOURNMENT: 7:52 P.M. PREPARED BY: Heide Bell

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 22, 2009 at 7:00 P.M., to be held in the Mayor's Conference Room or Council Chambers at City Hall dependent upon the number of visitors at the meeting.

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