

Village of Waterman
Water and Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes
Waterman Village Hall, 215 W. Adams St., Waterman, IL 60056
Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at 4:30PM

Meeting called to order by Trustee Pearson at 4:30PM

Roll Call: Trustee Pearson, Trustee Johanningsmeier, Trustee Feitlich, Guest Village Manager Nykaza, Guest Village Public Works Matt Conlin, Guest Mark Eddington, Executive Director, Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District

Approve Minutes: Minutes from May 8, 2024, approved.

New Business:

- a. Mark Eddington, Executive Director for Kishwaukee water reclamation District (KWRD) discussed with the committee the options for the Village of Waterman to connect to the KWRD. Costs and timelines were discussed. The first step is a feasibility study. Manager Nykaza will reach out to Shabbona to see if they want to be part of the feasibility study. Nykaza will apply for a DCCF Community Grant to cover most or all of the costs of the \$20,000 study. The next step would be the engineer design. This will cost approximately \$350,000. These costs will be covered by Waterman, KWRD and possibly Shabbona. We will our project after the Malta/Kishwaukee College project. With Debt forgiveness we are looking at \$7,000,000 to \$8,000,000 total project. The estimated timeframe to complete the project is 3-4 years. Discussion ensued regarding maintenance and fees. The committee was pleased the fees would be set the same as the other communities and not raised for us to join.
- b. Conlin explained to the committee the tree root issues we are having on West Eisenhower in the storm sewers. We are having a tree company come out and bore through the roots and hope this will relieve some of the issues.
- c. Public Works, Manager Nykaza, members TEST and neighboring communities met out at the WWTP to view a demo of a machine that will help clean the lagoon system. Nykaza updated the committee on the IEPA violation we have received regarding suspended solids and what we are doing to correct the algae problem.

Old Business:

a. **Update on Water Main repair at South Birch & Rt 30**

Manager Nykaza updated the committee that we have received our permit from IDOT but are now being held up by BNSF. Our engineers were told by BNSF that we did not require a permit, but it has since been decided we need a permit from BNSF. We are hoping to have this permit pushed through on a rush.

Public Comments: None

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 5:53PM


Submitted by: Amy Nykaza, Village Manager