

CITY OF BATAVIA – SPECIAL CONFERENCE MINUTES MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021

Present were Council President Jankowski and Councilmembers Bialkowski, Briggs, Christian, McGinnis, Pacino, Canale, Karas, and Viele.

In attendance from the City of Batavia was Chief Heubusch, Chief Napolitano, Ray Tourt, and Lisa Casey.

Call to Order

Council President Jankowski called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM immediately following the business meeting.

Ellicott Trail Easements

Mrs. Tabelski noted that Council previously approved to split the cost of the Ellicott Trail with the Town of Batavia and these are the easements we would maintain for the 30-year term. Council President Jankowski asked if the City would be responsible for Dewitt Park and Mrs. Tabelski said no because it is a County park so they would take care of that. He also noted that there was some debris on the trail and wondered how quickly it could be taken care of. Mrs. Tabelski noted that the Town would take care of the washed out areas and there was a group of volunteers who would help clean up. She noted this would be part of the regular park rotation and would cost about a week of time per year plus approximately \$7,000 of material every five years. Mr. Tourt noted that it would amount to about \$4,000 per year of labor. Councilmember Viele asked if there were any emergency services along the trail to keep those walking the trail safe. Council President Jankowski noted that most people have cell phones and the trail was pretty wide open. He also suggested that the cross at Cedar St was a little dangerous and possibly moving it to the top of the hill so people can see in both directions. Councilmember Canale suggested offering the clean up to local groups or Adopt-A-Trail type of program. Council agreed to move the item to the special business meeting on April 26th.

Waste Water Treatment Plant Bid for Air System

Mrs. Tabelski noted that right now we are only getting 20% air out of the air system, it should be 100%, and it needs immediate replacement. Mr. Tourt noted that we are only getting 30 years out of the current pipe and expected it to last 40 years. He noted that it was part of the capital plan but recognized the severity of the problem and thus asking to do the replacement now. Council agreed to move the item to the special business meeting on April 26th.

National Norther Border Regional Commission Infrastructure Grant – Bank St Waterline Improvements

Mrs. Tabelski noted that they looked at the waterlines in this area, determined they need to be increased to accommodate the water, so looking into this grant for this project. She noted that the total project cost is about \$410,000 with a local match of \$82,000 if awarded. She noted that there have been at least five breaks in this line and it is between 90 and 100 years old. She noted that this project would increase the lines to 8” lines and will help with the police station possibly coming there and allow for future development. Council agreed to move the item to the special business meeting on April 26th.

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Conference Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Heidi J Parker
Clerk-Treasurer**