

**TOWN OF ROACHDALE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2022**

The Roachdale Town Council held a Special Meeting on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, 5:30 p.m. at the Roachdale Community Building, 204 N Indiana Street, Roachdale, Indiana.

President Holly Cook called the Special Meeting to order after recognizing that the agenda was posted pursuant to the Indiana Open Door Law and that a quorum was present

Council Members Present: President Holly Cook, Rick Miles Jr, Katrina Asher

Council Members Absent: None

Clerk-Treasurer, Town Superintendent

Guests Present: Mike Kleinpeter, Derick Wiggins, Troy Elless

1. Old Business: Proposed Wastewater System Improvements – Derick Wiggins, Midwestern Engineers, Inc presented a Power Point presentation on the Preliminary Engineering Report for Wastewater Systems Improvements and presented the Council a handout outlining the proposed project, construction cost breakdown, total construction cost and the suggested priority list.

Mike Kleinpeter, Kleinpeter Consulting Group LLC was present to discuss different funding options for the project. President Holly Cook asked if the Town would be receiving SWIF money and Debbie stated that as discussed at a previous Council Meeting, the Town applied for SWIF money and did not receive any funding.

Derick Wiggins discussed lining the service laterals to the main and Debbie asked if we would need to get permission from the owners if we did so and Derick Wiggins stated that that would be a good question for the Town Attorney, but he thought it would take care of a lot of the I & I. It was discussed that the service lateral to the main is the homeowner's responsibility and Derek Wiggins stated that the service laterals would be low on the priority list. Derek Wiggins presented a priority list for the project 1) EQ Basin 2) Approximately 35.5 % Main CIPP, 3) Support Beams at WWTP, 4) Manhole Rehabilitation 5) Service Lateral CIPP, Remaining Mainline CIPP 6) WWTP UV. Derick Wiggins stated that the service laterals are low on the priority list and that the EQ Basin would take care of a lot of the issues. Derick Wiggins stated that the CIPP turns old pipe into new and will extend the life of the system. Troy Elless and Derick Wiggins agreed that the WWTP UV is also low on the priority list. Katrina Asher asked how long the project would take and Derick Wiggins stated that it should take less than a year if all of the material needed for the project is available. Mike Kleinpeter went over various funding options and Debbie stated that she felt the Town could contribute \$100,000 from the Wastewater Fund in addition to our ARPA Funds. Debbie stated that the Town will need to pass a plan on spending the ARP money before we can do so. Rick Miles Jr asked if doing the EQ Basin only would fix the issue and Troy Elless and Derick Wiggins stated that IDEM probably wouldn't agree to that. A discussion was held on manhole issues.

Katrina Asher asked how a grant works and Mike Kleinpeter explained the process and stated that the Town would have to commit to a project. To earn the maximum points for an OCRA grant the ideal project would have a cost of about \$2.8M the maximum grant amount available from OCRA is \$700,000. Mike Kleinpeter explained different funding issues and explained the OCRA scoring process. Mike Kleinpeter recommended doing a 2.8 M project, apply for an OCRA grant, and explained the Round 1 2022 OCRA Construction Grant timeline and stated these funds are to be used for a wastewater improvement project that will include the following activities: wastewater system improvements. The total amount of CDBG funds to be requested is \$700,000. The amount of CDBG funds proposed to be used for activities that will benefit low- and moderate-income persons is \$383,180. The Applicant also proposes to expend an estimated \$2,100,000 in non-CDBG funds on the project. These non-CDBG funds will be derived from the following sources: \$1,800,000 in State Revolving Loan Funds, \$100,000 in Wastewater Operating Funds, and \$200,000 in ARPA Funds.


It was decided that a Special Meeting would be held on March 30th at 5:30 pm, that would include a public hearing on March 30, 2022 at 5:30 pm, to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed federally funded CDBG project.

Updated information will be provided to Pat Callahan this week so he can update the rate study for the March 30th Special Meeting.

Katrina Asher asked how the project would affect future projects and Mike Kleinpeter stated that after the award and construction contracts are signed, the Town can then go after another OCRA grant such as drinking water or Storm Water.

Motion by Rick Miles Jr, second by Katrina Asher, vote unanimous, to adjourn the Special Meeting at 6:47 p.m.

TOWN COUNCIL:



Holly Cook, Council President



Katrina Asher, Council Member



Rick Miles Jr, Council Member

Attest:



Debbie Sillery, Clerk-Treasurer