

Village of Roberts

Public Works Committee – September, 2019

Meeting Minutes

The Public Works Committee Meeting on September 19, 2019 was called to order at 6:30 PM by Willard Moeri.

Present: Willard Moeri, Steve Melby, Glen Hall, Scott Lamson and Rand Waughtal.

Absent: Cheryl Johnson and Kevin Soltis.

Visitor: John Bond and Peter Tharp.

The Meeting was properly noticed and posted in the Village of Roberts in three locations.

- **Approval of Minutes from July, 2019** – Rand had a correction on the July Meeting Minutes Under **Discussion/Approval of Deferred Payment Agreement** it was not said by Waughtal that if the bill was not paid on the due date why they can't be shut off. It should have said on the due date they could enter into a payment plan. **Motion** to approve the minutes from July with the change by Moeri, second by Waughtal. **Motion** carried.
- **Discussion/approval of sewer rate increase** – Moeri had John Bond give an update of the Clearas project. Moeri explained to the board that Westen sent an inspector here for 14 weeks and we do not even have a shovel in the ground yet. Ehlers figured out what the increase should be based on the loan payment. Shawn thought it would be best if we raised it 40% in one lump sum. Monthly billing might be a possibility. John said he has noticed a decrease in the water flows already. The board looked at an example based on 12,000 gallons used per quarter. The price is currently \$210.25. With the 40% increase the bill would be \$294.35 for sewer or an \$84.10 increase. John inquired about estimating for two months then they would read on the third month. **Motion** to increase the sewer bills by 40% starting January 1st, 2020 by Melby, second by Lamson. **Motion** carried.
- **Any other Business** – Melby asked John about the compost pile and where it is located at this point. He would also like the Clerk's office to send out a flyer about the raise in sewer rates along with putting it on the website. Also put on the flyer that they can voluntarily pay monthly if they would like to. Moeri wanted to know what the board thought about monthly billing. Lamson said it would defeat what we have already accomplished.

Motion to adjourn at 7:30 by Hall, second by Waughtal. **Motion** carried.

Barb Newton

Deputy Clerk

