

YORKVILLE STORM WATER UTILITY COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

October 5, 2021

Chairman Steve Nelson called the meeting of the YSWUC to order at 6:07 p.m. Present were Chairman Nelson, Sherry Gruhn, Tom Lauber, Clinton Funk and John Vyvyan.

Minutes from our October 7, 2020 meeting were approved on a motion from Sherry Gruhn, seconded by Tom Lauber and carried.

Before we discussed the budget for 2022, we reviewed the Racine County Drainage Commission (RCDC) agreement. The agreement we had with the RCDC has been paid and at the present time there is no new agreement. The RCDC has hired a new attorney. The West branch will need to be dredged in the near future with an approximate cost of \$1,000,000. By the time an agreement is completed this number will more than likely be around \$1,500,000. The breakdown for payment of this would be 40% Yorkville, 40% Union Grove, and 20% Raymond. In the past years we have put \$20,000 in our budget to cover the Yorkville share. When preparing the budget for 2022 it was determined we would increase that number to \$25,000. An interim agreement should be available before the end of 2021 with a full agreement for the dredging to be available early 2022. We want to be prepared for what our share will be going forward. We hope the \$25,000 amount will be sufficient. This agreement would be for 10 years. We will again be contacting Bart Miller to do the spraying of the canal in Spring 2022.

Tom Lauber then reviewed the budget for 2022. Other than the RCDC amount, and an estimate for the spraying of the East branch, the budget remains the same as 2021. Our loan payment for the original loan for the work on the East branch will be paid off in March 2022. We discussed the possibility of having to do some work on the East branch in the years to come and will have to work those costs into our budgets going forward.

Upon review, the commission approved the 2022 budget as presented on a motion by John Vyvyan, seconded by Clint Funk and motion carried.

There is an organization (not sure of the name, something like Pike River Restoration) that may be able to help us out with some of the maintenance. We will contact them to see what is required and if we would be eligible for assistance with this maintenance work on the canal.

There was no other business to come before the commission. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm on a motion by John Vyvyan seconded by Tom Lauber. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Gruhn, Secretary