

YORKVILLE STORM WATER UTILITY COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

September 27, 2022

Chairman Steve Nelson called the meeting of the YSWUC to order at 6:08 p.m. Present were Chairman Nelson, Sherry Gruhn, Tom Lauber, Clinton Funk and John Vyvyan.

Minutes from our February 23, 2022 meeting were approved on a motion from Tom Lauber, seconded by John Vyvyan and carried.

We reviewed the budget that Tom Lauber prepared for 2023. Our revenues are estimated to increase slightly. Since our loan is now paid in full, we do have less in expenses in 2023. This will give us a chance to start to build up our reserve.

We will need to have the canal sprayed in 2023. It did not get done in 2022 or 2021. John will contact new vendor that we will hopefully be able to get to handle the spraying. We will hope that it can be done early in 2023. This new vendor uses a drone type of system that seems to work very well. We do not have a cost at this time, but it needs to be done. We will likely agree to whatever the cost because it is hard to find a company that does this type of work.

We typically have had NMB review assessments annually for tax purposes. The cost of this is around \$1000. We will now ask them to review assessments once every three years, unless there is a new development within Village. We would then have the assessments reviewed for any increase in revenue we might be able to receive.

We were hoping to have an agreement with the Racine County Drainage District at this point, but due to a situation with the Village of Union Grove, a new assessment has not been prepared. The Village of Union Grove has NOT paid their portion of the assessment from 2021 or 2022. The RCDD has been trying to negotiate with the Village to get payment, but the Village is being very uncooperative. With this happening, our Stormwater Utility has decided not to pay our 2022 portion of our assessment (\$20,000) until Union Grove pays their fair share. The RCDD has their lawyers working on this now, and we will wait to see what happens. It is imperative that this assessment is paid in order to have maintenance done on the East Branch canal. The Yorkville portion of this assessment is in our budget and will be paid once a decision with UG has been reached. The Village of Raymond agrees with us and will NOT pay their share of their assessment until UG pays their share.

A motion by John Vyvyan, seconded by Clinton Funk to approve the budget for 2023 with a \$20,000 item included for the RCDD assessment. Motion carried.

There was no other business to come before the commission. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm on a motion by John Vyvyan seconded by Tom Lauber. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Gruhn, Secretary