# Cuyahoga Falls City Council Minutes of the Finance and Appropriations Committee Meeting

## **April 15, 2024**

**Members:** Mary Nichols-Rhodes, Chair

Mike Brillhart, Vice Chair

Meika Penta, Brian Ashton, Joe Siegferth

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes called the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m. All members were present.

# **Legislation Discussed**

Temp. Ord. A-43 Temp. Ord. A-44

#### **Discussion:**

## Temp. Ord. A-43

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to execute a modification of contract no. 8879 with Perrin Asphalt Company for the replacement of curb on Silver Lake Avenue, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Tony Demasi, City Engineer, presented Temporary Ordinance A-43 to Council. The City, after competitive bidding, entered into contract No. 8879 with Perrin Asphalt Company for the replacement of curb on Silver Lake Avenue. It is necessary to make additional repairs to curb on Silver Lake Avenue. It is desired to use savings in the Storm Utility Fund to replace the additional curb on Silver Lake Avenue.

The Director of Public Service will be authorized to execute a modification of Contract No. 8879 with Perrin Asphalt Company authorizing the replacement of curb on Silver Lake Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00. The total contract price after modification as authorized herein shall not exceed \$359,452.00. The Director of Finance will be authorized and directed to make payment for same in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 from the Storm Drainage Utility Fund, Line Item Capital Outlay.

Mr. Demasi stated that the City is planning on resurfacing Silver Lake Avenue later this year. Last year, because there was a lot of curb that is in need of repair and they wanted to replace the curb before they paved the road, they awarded a contract to Perrin Asphalt to replace approximately 1,000 feet of curb on Silver Lake Avenue to replace about 20 percent of the curb. There are many more sections of curb on Silver Lake Avenue that should be replaced. Since the project has not started, they have been speaking with Storm Water about money in the budget to make additional curb replacement locations. They are using money from savings at Cochran Road storm sewer and Oakwood storm sewer. Cochran Road storm sewer will provide \$150,000 and Oakwood storm sewer would provide \$100,000. With the additional replacement of curb, it would be 50 percent of the curb on Silver Lake Avenue and make meaningful improvement. Work is scheduled to begin to May 28th. The goal is to get all the curb completed before the paving happens later this

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year and be done by school starting in mid-August. Since Perrin Asphalt is the paving contractor this year, they would be able to coordinate these two projects.

Mr. Brillhart thanked the Administration. This is sorely needed and will be very welcome.

Mr. Balthis stated that it is nice when they have a situation like this where so much planning and thought went into it. He appreciates the Administration recognizing the need, finding the savings and coordinating to get the project done and saving money. It is important to highlight and say thank them for making efficient ways for tax dollars to go further and address the infrastructure needs of the City.

Mr. Brillhart moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-43 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed (5-0).

## Temp. Ord. A-44

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the replacement of the 6" and 8" water mains on Oakwood Drive, from Monroe Avenue to Graham Road, with an 8" water main, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Tony Demasi, City Engineer, presented Temporary Ordinance A-44 to Council. The Director of Public Service will be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the replacement of the 6" and 8" water mains on Oakwood Drive, from Monroe Avenue to Graham Road, with an 8" water main. The Director of Finance will be authorized to make payment for the same from the Water Fund, Line Item Capital Outlay.

Mr. Demasi stated that the existing cast iron water mains have sustained some major breaks recently. They are from the 1920's and 1940's. The design was completed for replacement of these lines in 2021, and the project was bid in February of this year. They received six bids and the lowest and best bid was from Spano Brothers at \$1.2 million, so it falls within the budget. The Ohio Public Works Commission will pay for 50 percent of the project up to a maximum of \$880,000, so that means the City would receive the full 50 percent of on this project. They have not sat down with the contractor with respect to the schedule. They expect work to begin later this year, wrapping up in the spring of next year.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes thanked the Administration for having the OPWC involved and doing a lot of great work.

Mr. Brillhart moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-44 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Ashton. Motion passed (5-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.