

Lewisville Utilities Committee
September 3, 2014
Lewisville Town Hall Conference Room

I. Call to Order

- A. Chair Jeff Zenger called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Members present were Derek Duggins, Mike Horn, Tom Lawson, Ed Rachlin and Lang Wilcox. Also present were Town Manager Hank Perkins and Planner Marty Myers.

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes from the August 20 meeting were not available for approval.

III. Manager's Report

- A. Mr. Perkins reported that he started talking with CCUC in regard to sewer needs in the Runnymede area and also the Great Wagon Road.
1. In terms of GWR design, he said they discussed the need to include water and sewer lines and possible reimbursement to the town for that work per the agreement.
 2. The Willow Run area will need to be defined and then assessment estimates made.
 - a. Mr. Perkins will be contacting Steve Causey with Allied about work done for linear estimates a number of years ago. This will give CCUC an idea of the assessable area and a proposed dollar figure. This will assist in calculating current costs for running a forced main and pump station from Harper Road. That contact could occur as soon as next week.
 3. This discussion was limited to the GWR and did not include the entire commercial area in the downtown.
- B. Mr. Perkins also read for the committee the question that was asked of Courtney Driver regarding whether residents along Shallowford Road were assessed when that line was installed. The response was that residents were not assessed. The property owners paid only when they connected.

IV. Old Business

- A. None

V. New Business

- A. Setting priorities for expansion of sewer to new areas
1. Mr. Perkins said he looked at the draft of the August 20th minutes, not yet finalized, to review the list of priorities that were discussed.
 2. That list was discussed with the members. Some clarification regarding new residential outside of the LD1-S and 2 was provided. The Town Attorney is to be consulted on items related to the list, but that was not available yet.
 3. There was discussion on residential properties that are downstream of the Muddy Creek line that is being repaired, existing capacity in certain areas, connection points and the possibility of development of properties in the Shamrock Estates/Forsyth County Day School area.
 - a. Mr. Perkins will check on this.
 - b. There was a suggestion that the town get involved in doing something more substantial than just repairing a bottleneck/line section and investigate the cost.

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- (1) After additional discussion, it was decided that Mr. Perkins would get some preliminary information regarding the line, its expansion and/or full repair, the cost and whether there is a need for the town to participate.
 - (a) Mr. Perkins stressed that CCUC will have their own plan and it should not involve any money by the town.
 - (b) He also expects that CCUC will be looking at the particular basin, and going beyond that will get into the Harper Road lift station type situation.
 - (c) Mr. Perkins explained that the town didn't have to get involved with capacity for the Blanket Bottom Basin for the Harper Road lift station. The capacity needs for that basin were going to be included by CCUC because the lift station will be in the natural drainage area for Blanket Bottom. He reminded everyone that the town's involvement was about improvements that would expand capacity outside of that basin. For the Reynolds Creek sewer line, ee would probably be responsible for what capacity needs we have in other basins that we would desire to transfer to the basin for the Reynolds Creek line. It was pointed out that CCUC would probably not ask for the Town to pay for rehabilitation work for the required capacity for the basin that the Reynolds Creek line is in.
4. Priorities for expansion into new areas
 - a. There was discussion centered around bringing sewer to existing areas, the cost, buy-in from property owners with failing septic systems, petition requirements, and the possibility of creating a service district and providing incentives for developers.
 - (1) After discussion, there was consensus to consider sewer for existing neighborhoods upon receipt of a petition.
 - b. There was additional discussion on the need to identify areas where investment by the town in infrastructure would benefit the town and creating a plan to do so.
 - (1) The existing Allied plan with lift station locations was mentioned.
 - c. The committee also discussed a conversation they should have with CCUC on how they would be able to utilize the new lift station, how to get the pipe repaired, the GWR and downtown, Runnymede and the area where the new school is to built.
 - d. There was mention that there needed to be the ability to jump in quickly with developers as new projects are planned so that the town's interests can be shared. There was a thought that the town might have to spend a million dollars in order to accomplish this; however, there was another thought that developers should spend their own money to get pipe for a project.
 - (1) There was a suggestion to include homebuilders in these discussions; however, the other committee members did not agree.

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B. Summary

1. Meet with CCUC on three areas.
 - a. The fix for downtown, which is the number one priority
 - b. The Runnymede area and Mill Creek basin since the school and the pipe coming there.
 - (1) There was discussion about the advantage of getting the pipe to the school, the town's participation in the project and getting pipe to areas such as Shallowford Lakes.
 - (2) There was also a suggestion that are three things that must be done first since these are the three feeders:
 - (a) Find out how do to get from Harper Road to the south side of town.
 - (b) Find out how to get this pipe on the east large enough to service downtown.
 - (c) Find out how do we connect to the pipe coming to the new school.
 - (3) Develop a plan based on existing and future development.
 - (4) Look at the maps, look at the trunks to see what is possible.
 - c. Harper Road to south Lewisville
 - (1) Original maps developed by Causey and updated by Cavanaugh already provide that information.
2. At the next meeting, Mr. Perkins will bring back some answers. Discussion will be about whether the fix for capacity is adequate to sewer the downtown and how to work with developers.

VI. **Adjournment**

- A. Mr. Rachlin moved to adjourn and Mr. Lawson seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn W. Hall, Public Information Officer

Attest:

Joyce C. McWilliams Walker, Town Clerk

Jeff Zenger, Chair