

Dillsboro Town Council Special Meeting

November 15, 2023

A Special Meeting of the Dillsboro Town Council was held on November 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Council members present were Becky Fryman, Tim Benning and Jerri Jackson. Absent were Doug Baker and Charlie Caldwell.

Others present were Utility Superintendent, Matt Bauer; Utility Sewer Plant Operator, Eric Graver; Clerk-Treasurer, Rita Stevens; Intern Town Manager, Susan Greco; and from Curry & Associates, Lori Young and Jill Curry.

Matt Bauer opened the meeting by introducing Lori Young and Jill Curry from Curry & Associates (Town Engineering firm).

The purpose of the meeting is to give town council options for sewer work that was found from the 2020 sewer study. This is basically taking the findings of the study and trying to update and improve our sewer infrastructure. The main source of funding the town would be exploring would be CDBG/OCRA funding that we are eligible for with our sewer system.

Jill Curry presented the presentation.

Jill talked about the PFAS chemical found in drinking water. A test was done in June with the town and it was below the limits of 1.3. There is lawsuits presently with 3M and DuPont. The Town has the option to opt out. If the town opts out this would free the town up if something comes in the future. The town would not get anything from the lawsuits since the water comes from Aurora.

SRFL (State Revolving Fund Loan) Asset Management Program. The town has to complete a checklist including Maps, Inventory of Assets, Evaluation of Assets & etc. Once checklist is complete a Plan Certificate is signed.

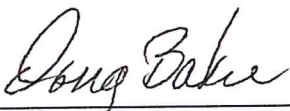
A spreadsheet was handed out of water projects (Machinery/Equipment, Master Meter, Water Mains, Water Meters, Service Lines, Water Storage and other Distribution System). The remaining useful life from 5 to 20 in years, replacement cost & etc. A 5 Year Capital Needs is \$1,112,000.


Wastewater System Study was done in August 2020. Listed priority projects were clarifier replacements, lift stations, manholes, sanitary rehab and sewer plant disinfected. Clarifiers has been replaced. There will be some OCRA funds available. Need to do a updated study in 2024. Projects could start in 2025.


The meeting ended at 7:14 p.m`










Rita Stevens, Clerk-Treasurer
