

Manager's Report - 5/8/17

1. Attended the Land Bank Executive Board in Youngstown last week. Essentially the program for Sebring is the processing the 13 cases the county prosecutor has in motion and that is it. Land Bank, at this time, won't fund anymore beyond that. However, they did say that if any of the 13 cannot be processed for whatever reason, we can add new properties to the list to bring it back up to that original number. Best guess on processing the list to fruition would be about six months. Any properties that we want to demolish beyond that would be at Village expense.

Also, as a follow-up to the condemned fire damaged property on East Ohio Avenue, as I understand it the reason the Village did not get a fire demo escrow funds from the insurance company is that the damage to the house did not exceed the required 60% for such disbursement. This property is not on the Land Bank list.

2. After a two weeks of searching for a replacement cruiser, AC Faudree found a low mileage (62K) Ford Taurus in Chicago for \$12,295.00, including shipping. We are opting for another Taurus to reuse the damaged unit's equipment. Finance Committee approved the partial transfer of funds for the replacement car.

3. The WTP file submitted in January with the Sample Location information (SMP IDs) for Sebring needed to be modified. Plumbing Age and Service Line Material had to be revised for all sites. The new template with all required fields for all sample which was submitted to OEPA by the May 1st deadline.

4. The Ohio Municipal League advised the House Finance Committee approved new language for a Substitute Budget Bill that removed the Governor's proposed centralized collection language and focuses instead on properly funding the OBG for a rebuild that will adequately service the needs of the tax filers that choose to use the central portal while preserving local control of municipal revenue.

5. An update on the 12th Street Paving Project is that it has been pushed back by ODOT. The plans have been accepted by Central Office. They are scheduling to Sell Plans (Open Bids) on July 13, 2017. Construction is planned to begin on September 25, 2017 and last for 2 months.

So it looks like it will be later in the summer/fall for paving to happen. I will let you know if I hear anything else or have updates for you.

6. During Finance Committee review of the transfer legislation, members asked me to look into the need to appropriate \$2,500.00 to the Solicitor's hospitalization line item. After review of the account audit trail, Teresa's health insurance payments are being deducted from her pay, which is left in her wage line item. However, for the purchase order invoice payment to Anthem (with all the rest of us) it is deducted from the hospitalization line item. Short version...she is paying, but the deduction is reflected in the hospitalization line item, but the money is still in her wage line item. However, I've remove the appropriation from the legislation and did an internal sib-budget transfer from her wages to hospitalization to correct the line item deficit.

7. The Solicitor and I are going to schedule and begin the Chief of Police interviews this week. Five of the six candidates that took the Civil Service exam passed. I will consider the appointment of the new police chief after the interviews have been completed.

8. As a follow-up to the WSOS community economic development program and meetings. Sebring residents, merchants, and officials can respond to the information survey at:

<https://goo.gl/forms/5KonL2OWVzmkdE0n1>

Also, WSOS plan is to hold meetings with action planning teams every other month (with the next one in June), but to help keep the momentum going, they would like to conduct conference phone calls on the "off" months.

May is an off month, and they held a call for the Sebring group for this morning at 10:00 a.m.

They covered the following topics:

- A. Reviewing their preliminary findings regarding community top priorities for Sebring's focus
- B. Discussing leadership plans - who are our primary contact persons in our community, who is on our action planning team, and who should be invited?
- C. Discussing possible projects to address the top priorities
- D. Disseminating the survey: what are the best ways to get it out to the people? (social media, local newsletters and email, providing the link to others, and getting the survey to high school students grades 9-12)
- E. Suggested local contacts for interviews (either in person or over the telephone)
- F. Firming up a date, time, and location for a June meeting (June 1, 2, 7, 8)
- G. Questions/Concerns/Suggestions?

9. Our service department is working with Dan Frum from SUEZ-Utility Service to inspect and get quotes for the water tank painting project. I'll keep you in the loop when I get more information from Bill Sanor.

10. As of this morning the July 4th donations total \$3293.00.