



#### Ragland Road Drainage Improvements Project

Mr. Bruce Brandstetter, Brandstetter Carroll talked about the two grants coming for the Ragland Road Drainage Improvements. Grant No. 1) \$37,500 from the Hamilton County Storm Water District, which is the second year for this grant program and the first year for engineering design. Grant No. 2) Municipal Roadway Funds (MRF) from Hamilton County, administered by the same county engineer. This grant is for \$50,000; Mr. Brandstetter recommended the Village accept this grant to be used as match for construction. He believes we will receive some OPWC money and more Hamilton County Storm Water money for this project.

The project was not funded by OPWC this past year; however, the Hamilton County Storm Water District did allocate engineering funds (\$37,500) for the design this year, then in anticipating looking ahead to next year for an OPWC project. \$375,000 will be requested September, 2013. Total cost of the project is \$375,000 = OPWC (\$287,500) MRF (\$50,000). OPWC in Hamilton County does not fund engineering.

#### Ivy Hills Country Club (Culvert Pipe)

Mr. Brandstetter was contacted by Dan Gates, Ivy Hills Country Club PGA General Manager, regarding a culvert pipe that diverts water during heavy rain from McCullough's Run on the upstream of the culvert at the entrance to Ivy Hills Blvd. at Little Dry Road. There is a pond between the first three golf holes, which is the detention basis for the Village. This detention basin prevents flooding and was part of the PUD and subdivision approval when the subdivision was built. Dravo Engineering, ran the gravel pit, designed this many years ago. The culvert pipe is collapsing and the owners of the country club are asking who is responsible for the maintenance of the pipe. They talked to Zicka and Zicka sent them to Mr. Brandstetter. Mr. Brandstetter said he doesn't believe this to be the Village's responsibility, as this is on private property and they had to build it as part of the development. Mayor Cosby recalls the water diversion was part of the deal that had to be done. They had to take the responsibility for diverting the water and metering it out at a measured rate so not to flood the Village of Newtown. Mr. Brandstetter said that was always in the agreement and more than once they have come back asking if they could divert less water, due to it flooding the first fairway of the first fold, from time to time. Mr. Brandstetter said he doesn't think there is an easement for the pipe. He said, it would be pretty ugly if there is a failure and fills up the pipe and the water can't divert there anymore, and comes down town. Mr. Brandstetter will let Mr. Gates know that Village Council approved him to look further into who is responsible for maintaining the pipe.

#### Ordinance, Agreement w/ Board of Hamilton County Commissioners (MRF Funds- \$50,000 for Ragland Road Drainage Improvements Project)

Section 153.61 of the ORC provides for agreements between any County and any municipal corporation for joint construction of public improvements.

**Mr. Short made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Burns. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Short made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 07-2013 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF NEWTOWN AND THE BOARD OF HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RELATIVE TO THE RAGLAND ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FROM INTERSECTION WITH HARRIET LANE, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Burns seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.**

#### Maintenance Department

Mr. Dickerson thanked the maintenance crew: Tony, Joe and Ryan for their efforts getting the Village ready for the parade.

Mr. Dickerson is looking to repair a mower with after-market parts.

#### Fountain Make-Over

Mr. Tiettmeyer asked Mr. Dickerson for an update on the landscaping of the fountain. Mr. Dickerson said he received word from Mr. Short to proceed with the project, which will begin in June.

### Memorial Day Parade

Mr. Short thanked the police department for an outstanding job during the rededication ceremony at the Veterans Memorial on Memorial Day. He also thanked the maintenance department for their efforts beautifying the village for the parade. Mr. Short thanked Mayor Cosby, Mr. Harten and Mr. Zornes for participating on the float for Village Officials.

Mayor Cosby acknowledged the efforts of those that made the parade such a success, which Mr. Short played a large role in organizing. The weather cooperated this year, which aided with a good turnout. Congressman Brad Wenstrup participated giving a wonderful speech.

### Little Miami Fire Board Update (Reported by Mr. Kobasuk)

The Fairfax Fire Station came in \$50,000 under budget. The Fairfax Station has a message board and the Fire Board has discussed purchasing a message board for the Newtown Fire House. The message board would be located on Main Street. Mr. Kobasuk will talk to Chief Ramsey about coming before the Newtown Planning Commission for approval.

The Fire Board discussed the budget at their recent meeting. According to the projections, the district would leave 2014 with a carryover of about \$140,000; whereas, the carryover is typically around \$300,000 to \$400,000. The Fire Board is considering a 2.7 mill levy for the May 2014 ballot. This would be in addition to the current 12.05 mill levy. The 2.7 mill levy would add an additional \$81.40 per \$100,000 home value. If the levy passes, the total millage for the fire district would be 14.75 mills. Mr. Kobasuk is not in favor of an additional levy, but feels a fiduciary duty to support the vote for placing it on the ballot. Anderson Township operates their entire public safety on a 9.4 mill levy. The firefighters have not received a raise in two years; therefore, in 2015, they would receive a 1.5% increase, which is factored into the budget. Mr. Kobasuk said, at the last Fire Board meeting, resident-at-large, Terry Fairley suggested scrubbing all expenses before considering an additional levy. They said they had scrubbed the expenses.

### Safety Committee

Mr. Kobasuk and Mr. Short met before the last Council Meeting and recommended hiring an additional full-time person and keep the part-time program at two officers. The Finance Committee discussed the numbers at their meeting tonight and determined the expense would be well worth it.

**Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to hire a full-time police officer. Mr. Short seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

### Resolution, Anderson Township Little League (Two-year agreement)

**Mr. Burns made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Harten. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Burns made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 15-2013 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FIELD USE AGREEMENT FOR ATHLETIC FIELDS, AND DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Short seconded the motion.**

### Discussion

Mr. Dickerson said, normally, MVCA football team contributes grass seed and fertilizer for the maintenance department to distribute. As of today, the maintenance department has not received these items. Mr. Burns said MVCA's baseball team has been practicing at the baseball field. Mr. Burns thanked Mr. Dickerson; the maintenance department has been dragging the fields for the past couple of months and it has made a huge difference. Cincinnati United will use the lower field for soccer. They provide their own soccer goals and nets. Mr. Burns said he made it clear that they would be responsible for tearing up the fields if used in inclement weather.

**Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.**

Resolution, Cincinnati United Soccer Club (Two-year agreement)

**Mr. Burns made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Harten. All Aye. Motion Carried.**

**Mr. Burns made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 16-2013 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FIELD USE AGREEMENT FOR ATHLETIC FIELDS, AND DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Short seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Short-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.**

Lake Barber

Mr. Burns talked to Mr. Evans regarding Lake Barber; Mr. Evans wants compensation for the Motz agreement. Mayor Cosby will contact Mr. Evans. Solicitor Miller will contact Mr. Evan's attorney.

Moundview Park – Flag Poles

Mr. Short received a quote for \$300 to straighten and paint the flag pole for \$300.00.

Planning Commission: There will be no Planning meeting May 30<sup>th</sup>. The next regularly-scheduled meeting will be held June 27, 2013 at 7:00pm.

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to adjourn at 8:21 pm.

Transcribed by Becky Fairley