

**Committee:** Water, Sewer, Streets and Alleys

**Date:** February 13, 2008

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

**Members**

**Present:** Joe Hermes, Floyd Combes and Frank Studer (5:44 p.m.)

**Absent:** Russ Gilmour and Marty Orr

**Non-Members**

**Present:** Sheryl Puracchio City Administrator, Robin Theobald Director of Finance, Ken Jeffries Water/Sewer Superintendent, Members of the Press – Jamie Mack

Alderman Hermes made a motion and Alderman Combes seconded to **open the Water, Sewer, Streets and Alleys Committee meeting at 5:40 p.m.** All yes. Motion passed.

Alderman Combes made a motion and Alderman Hermes seconded to **approve the December 12, 2007 minutes as written and place on file.** All yes. Motion passed.

**Discussion:** Park Bridge

Administrator Puracchio informed the committee that we were notified that an inspection on the South Island Bridge was past due. At this time the bridge is closed and will have to remain closed until it passes inspection. Approximately two weeks ago the inspector was contacted and we are waiting for him to perform the inspection. Public Works Superintendent, Gary VanDuyne has mentioned that the bridge will probably not pass inspection.

**Action:** Once we receive the inspection report the committee will need to make the decision on what to do with the bridge.

**Discussion:** Kankakee Street Closure

Administrator Puracchio informed the committee that the engineer has performed a survey of the area. The area is too small for a full cul-de-sac so an emergency lane will have to be put in place.

**Discussion:** Ridge Street and Fairchild Street

Alderman Hermes inquired about the closure of this intersection. Administrator Puracchio has met with Jay Please, Superintendent of Schools to review plans from the engineer. This intersection will

be gated off, along with “*DO NOT ENTER*” signs put in place. Committee members recommend that street lights also be installed at Ridge and Fairchild as this block is not lit.

**Discussion:            Landfill Closure**

Ken Jeffries, Water/Sewer Superintendent and Ron Fitzpatrick, Engineer visited the IEPA last month. Mr. Jeffries went over the checklist of procedures the IEPA requires for proper closure:

- Continue to monitor groundwater until a permit for closure is in hand.
- Mow property at least twice a year to remove all sucker trees growing in and around the cap.
- Drill new monitoring well. Wells can be no more than 400 feet apart.
- Show boundaries of the buried landfill. In the past Rogina performed ground penetrating radar. As of the recent IEPA meeting this is no longer acceptable by the IEPA.
- Prove that the landfill is buried with at least 2 feet of compacted clay with 6 inches of top soil on top of the compacted clay.
- Perform quarterly inspections.
- Survey the property every two years to prove that if any soil is settling it is being maintained properly

Ken Jeffries and Ron Fitzpatrick are working together to get this project done in an efficient manner. Robin Theobald informed the committee that there is approximately \$228,000.00 remaining to complete this project.

**Discussion:            Review of Executive Session Minutes**

There are no executive session minutes to review at this time.

Alderman Studer made a motion and Alderman Combes seconded to **adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m.** All yes. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Joie Ziller  
Deputy City Clerk