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MEMBERS PRESENT: DENNIS MOSEBY, DEBRA BURCH, BILL BUTLER, KELLY WENSMAN, GARY EATON, ROBERT MORTON, ZORA BECK

OTHERS PRESENT: LINDA MORTON, RICK RUMSEY

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SPERRY UTILITY SERVICES AUTHORITY HELD JANUARY 23, 2020, 6:00 P.M., CITY HALL, 115 N. CINCINNATI

Dennis Moseby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Debra Burch here. Kelly Wensman here. Bill Butler here. Dennis Moseby here. Gary Eaton here. Robert Morton here. Zora Beck here. Quorum present.

SIX MONTH PLAN FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS OF SUSA – Rick Rumsey, Management Consultant with OMMS, led the discussion on how to develop a 5 and 10 year plan and how to develop priorities and specific needs. Items discussed:

- 1. Replacing water lines when there is a leak vs patching.
- 2. Changing out the old water meters to modern electric meters.
- 3. Work with OMMS as a collective to get lower bids on items SUSA needs. There are now 56 cities/towns in OMMS and as a group, they can have better pricing power.
- 4. Recruiting business by offering tax breaks.
- 5. Tax incentive planning, property tax

Plan for Saturday, February 8, 2020 Retreat and Workshop. Items that could appear on the agenda for open discussion:

- 1. Quality of life for the community; parks, etc.
- 2. Code enforcement
- 3. Infrastructure
- 4. Economic development; Revenue items such as Harps Grocery Store
- 5. Check on tax revenue from out of town purchases and internet purchases

After a short discussion, the Board decided that our focus needed to be on two main issues:

- 1. Infrastructure
- 2. Revenue

Top priority must be sewer and water lines.

- Plan needs to be a 5-year goal
- Replace all water lines
- Replace all sewer lines
- Replace all meters

Secondary priority must be revenue and getting better control of finances.

- Plan needs to be a 5-year goal
- Review the cost of repairing lines or replacing/moving lines
- Review the cost of repairing or replacing water meters
- What incentives can we offer businesses to come to Sperry?
- Tax breaks, lower utilities

After discussion of these issues, it was decided that our main objective and goal for the Saturday work session/retreat would be infrastructure, and if we have time, revenues.

Motion by Wensman and second by Butler to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Yes: Burch, Wensman, Butler, Moseby, Eaton, Morton, Beck. No: None.

Chairman

Debra Bunk
Secretary