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Village of Youngstown Board of Trustees Work Session Minutes—November 8, 2018

OLD BUSINESS:

GREENWAY FUNDS:

Repurpose of the greenway funds to a new staircase down the hill from Main St to Water St. as the stairway is need of updating. Trustee Fox stated that Mr. Lohr from Capital Steel is to provide a quote for a metal stairway from Main Street down to Water Street.

Recreation Director Cudmore has also requested consideration of repurpose of the funds for the Veterans Park Baseball update project.

Trustee Fox reported there was no information on the cost of the stairway yet, but feels it will surpass the \$100,000.00 grant. The Board discussed the request from Recreation Director Cudmore to redirect the grant to the baseball diamond renovation at Veterans Park. The Recreation Department cannot pursue a grant through the Greenway Commission as the Village currently has an unused grant. The estimated total amount would be approximately \$85,000.00 to install two new fields. Trustee Fox will follow up on the staircase cost, but feels it will not be in budget. Mayor Reynolds requested that Trustee Comerford request a proposed budget on the baseball diamonds project from Recreation Director Cudmore. Trustee Zastrow stated the staircase was probably the best project, but would not be cost effective. The Board agreed that the baseball diamond project may be a good fit budget wise and would draw people and traffic to the Village.

LWRP:

Deputy Mayor Lockhart stated that the comments on the LRP indicated the Village boundary to be in the middle of the River. This could become an issue as it could require us to have a harbor commissioner. Deputy Mayor Lockhart reviewed the many other comments that could change many things for the Village, including requirements the State wants from the Coast Guard. Engineer Kaiser informed the contact at the State that due to the requirements and scope, funds and time frame, the Village would be ending the process and in turn follow the path of a Master Plan. The Board agreed with this.

NEW BUSINESS:

CENTERLINE COMMUNICATIONS/AT&T:

Request from Centerline Communications/AT&T to place equipment on the water tower. AT&T will pay for a structural analysis prior to installing any equipment if the Board is in favor of leasing space for this purpose.

The Board discussed the letter received from Centerline Communications. Centerline Communications is requesting to purchase an abandoned building along with leasing antenna space on the water tower. Superintendent Muller stated none of the buildings are abandoned. One building belongs to Verizon; the other building belongs to the Village and is utilized by the DPW and Mobiletech Communications. The Board discussed the benefits that residents would receive from better cell tower reception here in Youngstown. Attorney Caserta stated the Board may wish to consider selling the lease with Verizon as a new lease with Centerline Communication for AT&T would provide steady revenue in its place. The Board agreed they were in favor of moving forward with Centerline Communications/AT&T proposal. Clerk-Treasurer Brown will contact them and advise them to submit an integrative proposal.

With no further items to discuss, a motion to adjourn the work session was made at 8:36 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Lockhart, seconded by Trustee Comerford. All in favor, motion was carried.