

Village of Mazon  
Water/sewer/street/alley Committee Meeting Minutes  
For December 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am on December 7, 2023.

Present were; J. Marques, K. Marques, K. Houchin, E. Emrich, D. Punke, J. Frederick, and Engineers Mike Perry, Tim Hejny and Ryan Lane.

The purpose of the meeting was to review the water treatment plant options, and the sewer plant maintenance.

R. Lane said they have not received any bids on the sewer plant maintenance project, it will be put back out to bid and promoted better. Bids will be due by January 15, 2023 at 3pm. This is to replace all gravel and sand from the base clay and up.

R. Lane explained the current water plant needs and the method to remove manganese and Iron from the system. This would be an upgraded water plant with a filtration system. He also discussed a softening system for the Village which would be very costly. The filtration system with a back wash station on site was discussed. The back wash waste would need to be sent to the waste water plant for treatment, this would be accomplished by hauling the waste water to the sewer treatment plant to be disposed of there. The cost of the new treatment plant will be about 3 million dollars. There is no free money or grants available to the Village of Mazon. There is a low interest loan program with 1.36% interest available with 50% of the principal forgivable. We will need to create a way to repay the loan. There was discussion of a 22% 1<sup>st</sup> year rate increase followed by 6% a year every year after or a surcharge added to the bill to pay off the loan in 28 years.

There was discussion about replacing the aerators. J. Frederick asked about the one for well # 21 as it is not that old. M. Perry said they would look into reusing the current aerators. J. Marques said he wants to make sure we replace all that needs to be replaced so we are not doing it again and spending more money in a few years.

There was also discussion about replacing all of the water mains in the Village. We have applied for several grants over the years for this and have not received funding because the income of residents in the Village is too high.

J. Marques said we need to be proactive.

Chamlin's will rework the plan numbers with different options and will meet again on January 17, 2024 at 9:00am.

**E. Emrich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:55am. The motion was seconded by K. Houchin. Roll was taken; K. Houchin-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, and E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**