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From: Jacqueline Otto
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 10:39 AM
To: Steven Aynes; Board of Trustees
Cc: Paul Burns; Jennifer Carlisle; Dan Willis
Subject: Re: Bond Financing Improvements to the Township's Sanitary Sewer System (Northfield Township)

I stand corrected. The Indebtedness Ordinance postcard would not be appropriate for the March 26th meeting. It should be a prerequisite of the bonding process. But we should still have the cost available for the meeting.

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From: Jacqueline Otto <ottoj@northfieldmi.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 10:00 AM
To: Steven Aynes; Board of Trustees
Cc: Paul Burns; Jennifer Carlisle; Dan Willis
Subject: Re: Bond Financing Improvements to the Township's Sanitary Sewer System (Northfield Township)

I would have thought due to the indebtedness ordinance that post cards would be distributed prior to the March 26th meeting. As I recall from a previous board meeting, wasn't one or two of the board members looking into this regarding the costs and timeline for sending out the postcards? I would have thought it would have been more appropriate for the March 26th meeting since the postcards are just a notification of intent and not the actual action as stipulated in the bonding process for a public hearing.

However, the ordinance states just taxpayers, and not all voters. So the list would come from the tax roll list. This may address the question of whether to send communication to apartment renters.

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From: Steven Aynes <ayness@northfieldmi.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:11 PM
To: Board of Trustees
Cc: Paul Burns; Jennifer Carlisle; Dan Willis
Subject: FW: Bond Financing Improvements to the Township's Sanitary Sewer System (Northfield Township)

Board,

I will be forwarding information for your review in preparation for the March 26 Board meeting. I am having Jennifer put a printed copy in each of your boxes.

Thanks

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Steve

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From: Mann, Steven D. <mann@millercanfield.com>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 11:56:37 AM
To: Steven Aynes
Cc: Marlene Chockley; Rubel, Brian; Dan Willis; Paul Burns; Stephen Hayduk
Subject: Bond Financing Improvements to the Township's Sanitary Sewer System (Northfield Township)

Steve,

Attached please find my letter along with a sample resolution and a copy of the Township's public indebtedness ordinance.

Could you please forward these materials to the Board of Trustees?

Thank you,

Steve

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From: Jacqueline Otto
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 10:07 AM
To: Steven Aynes; Board of Trustees
Cc: Jennifer Carlisle; Paul Burns
Subject: Re: Background Information for WWTP Retention Tank for the Board in preparation for the public meeting on March 26

I appreciate the information on Dan Willis and his expertise. As board members, we need to look to our subject matter experts for direction and trust in their judgement.

As far as a copy of the Garden City sewer bill, it would be appreciated if we had a report of several townships, villages, or cities to familiar size as ours showing their sewer bill fees. This would give more credence to the understanding of increased rates, if needed. We may find that our sewer fees are underpriced in comparison. Is this possible to pull together before Tuesday? It just means a lot of calling.

Thanks, Jacki

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From: Steven Aynes <ayness@northfieldmi.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:35 PM
To: Board of Trustees
Cc: Jennifer Carlisle; Paul Burns
Subject: RE: Background Information for WWTP Retention Tank for the Board in preparation for the public meeting on March 26

I am continuing to work on providing background information to the Board regarding the agenda item on the WWTP Retention and Sewer Line Improvements.

I expect to be sending out additional information to the Board in preparation for this meeting. I continue to talk to others about the proposed project. I want to dispel any thoughts by the Board that your staff is recommending this for personal benefit rather than professional service.

- Dan Willis has been an employee of the WWTP for 41 years in May of 2019. He has been the WWTP Superintendent for about 2 years. I believe he knows your WWTP and Sanitary Sewer system better than anyone else who is currently paid by the Township. He has plans to retire sometime in the future. He does not live in the Township. In fact he lives in Oakland County. He does not make sewer payments to the Township. If the WWTP project was approved by the Board this year before the adoption of the Budget effective July 1, 2019; I would estimate it would not be under construction until the Spring of 2020. It might be completed by the end of 2020, but it would probably extend into 2021. Dan may very well retire before the completion of the project.

This would mean Dan would have to put in a lot of work if the project proceeds. He is not looking to add to his Resume. If the project is not approved by the Board, he would have a lot less work to do before he retires. This means he would have more time to spend with his family and friends.

I believe Dan sincerely believes this project is in the best interest of the Township and it's citizens. I believe he is an honest, hard working man who tries to do his best to improve the community and to be of service to the citizens of Northfield Township. Dan is a great asset to Northfield Township. I have worked with many WWTP Foreman and Superintendents. I believe he is right up there with the best.

- When I was interviewed by the Township Board I presented my Resume. I have worked for many local governments and one non-profit organization since I began my first professional position in 1977. In three of the communities I was responsible for Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTP) and the implementation of significant improvements. In one city I also had one Water Treatment Plant which also was updated through a construction project. While serving with a Sanitation Authority (composed of 5 cities) I was involved in the implementation of agreements for a \$ 105 million private renovation of the Waste Incinerator operation into a Waste to Energy Plant which included an industrial wastewater pretreatment facility. I also worked with the landfill's wastewater pretreatment plant. My point is that I don't need another WWTP construction project on my Resume. In my opinion my workload would be a lot more for the remainder of my service in Northfield Township if the Board does approve this project.

I also want to make it clear that I understand the impact that sewer rates have on individuals and the community. My wife and I have owned 5 single family houses in our 43 + years of marriage. Each of these were on municipal water and sewer. We have also paid property taxes on each of these. We have passed the 25 th anniversary of purchasing our current house in Garden City, in Wayne County.

Attached is a copy of my latest Water & Sewer bill. Garden City bills every two months. The sewer bill is based on metered water use. The sewer bills go up in the summer as water use in the yard is still used to prepare the sewer bill.

The bill for 60 days from December 26-February 25 had two charges for sewers. The sewer fixed charge is \$ 8.76 and the charge based on the meter was \$ 68.15 for a total of \$ 76.91. This would be an average of \$ 38.45/mo. Therefore, 3 months would be about \$ 115.35. This compares to \$ 90.20 per quarter in Northfield Township. Prior to, during, and following my tenure as City Manager in Garden City (May 1993-May 1996) the City was under mandate by the State and Federal governments to separate storm water flow from sewer flow. Out of 100 miles of local roads under the City's control, we rebuilt the roads, sewer, and storm water system under approximately 15 miles of local roads. Approximately 5 miles of local roads were planned, but later completed after my service was completed. Recommendations I made impacted my personal rates and taxes for 22 plus years so far after I left office.

I know I get rather wordy, but I think it should be clear Dan is recommending this be done and I trust Dan's opinion.

Steve

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From: Mary Bird
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 11:45:26 AM
To: Steven Aynes
Subject: Scan

Here you go Steve

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