

Infrastructure Extension:

Mayor Murphy noted that the next decision before the Board is an infrastructure extension. He explained that the goal is to extend sewer to position for recapture and utility control. He highlighted the two financing choices as a Water and Sewer Capital Fund and a sanitary sewer connection fee increase to \$2,000. He asked Mr. Perry to describe these options.

Mr. Perry noted that staff thinks this recoverable investment is important because it allows us to recover other recapture fees that help pay for the expansion of the sewer treatment plant in the Internationale Centre area. He explained that not making this investment will likely result in the Village having to increase water and sewer rates.

Trustee Frank asked if the \$1,000,000 referred to in the Water and Sewer Capital Fund are dollars that currently exist.

Mr. Perry indicated that it is currently in the fund and that it is part of this budget to provide for a link in the area of 99th Street to 101st Street that snakes through the Pleasantdale Subdivision. He noted that this is an opportunity to maximize the coverage in term of homes and the individuals who will likely connect and minimize the capital cost. He explained that this puts the Village in a good position to recapture the investment.

Trustee Brandt noted his concern for expending this money for a potential recapture. He asked staff what their thoughts are on the potential recapture.

Mr. Perry explained that if this investment is not made the Village runs the risk of losing \$3,300,000 in potential recapture fees that would be taken in if these individuals are linked into the Water and Sewer Fund. Mr. Perry made the point that this is the protection that the Village has to get the recapture fees. He also mentioned the benefits of potential annexation.

Trustee Brandt asked where these individuals will go for water and sewer if they do not go to the Village of Woodridge.

Mr. Perry explained that they will go to a County system and that it is likely that they will go to that County system if this investment is not made.

Trustee Brandt pointed out that they could still go to the County system even if this investment is made.

Mr. Perry indicated that it is unlikely for them to go to the County system if the Village system is available. He explained that the cost of another alternative will make that alternative unattractive.

Trustee Brandt stated that without the option of connecting to the Village they will connect to the County.

Mr. Perry explained that if the Village puts in this line, these individuals will have the choice to connect to the Village.

Trustee Brandt asked what kind of line it would be.

Mr. Perry indicated that it would be a sewer line and that this would preclude a SSA with the county.

Trustee Brandt asked if there would be a requirement to annex if they connect.

Mr. Perry noted that a similar approach would be taken as was done in Suburban Estates.

Mr. Modaff explained that the opportunity to connect is not tied to annexation.

Trustee Wood asked how many homes there are.

Mr. Mays stated that there are around 350 homes with the potential for 543 lots.

Mayor Murphy asked each Board member to state where they stand on the proposal. After each Board member stated where they stand, Mayor Murphy noted that staff has Board consensus to move forward on the Water and Sewer Capital Fund proposal along with the Sanitary Sewer Connection fee increase proposal.

Trustee Brandt Proposals:

Mayor Murphy noted that there have been a number of proposals by Trustee Brandt. He highlighted that Trustee Brandt has proposed a liquor license fee