

Capital Needs Committee Meeting  
March 13, 2018  
6:30 p.m.

Bruce Dorstewitz, Tom Jedlinsky, Rich Cline, Jessica Marquez and John Moorehead

- Mr. Moorehead provided a quick introduction and advised that upon further review, he believes that the "Category A" 10-year total should be closer to \$20 million to account for other items that should have additional maintenance costs related to them.
- The group discussed storm sewers
  - 76.53 miles of Storm Sewers; 404,078 feet
  - 3,694 storm sewer structures (catch basins, curb inlets, manholes, etc)
  - The City repaired 50 structures in 2017 at a cost of about \$102,000
  - It is estimated that at least 100 structures needed repair
  - The City currently spends more money to maintain structures than it does pipes.
- Mr. Moorehead informed the group of a very recent issue that the City is facing at the intersection of Scioto St and Liberty St with the storm sewer pipes.
  - The City had to hire a consultant to come in last week to run a camera and determine what was causing the issues
  - There are many issues going on, and many unknown issues that the City believes could arise when we would start digging in the area.
  - We will likely need a "band-aid" at this location until a permanent fix can be identified.
- Mr. Moorehead said that ideally we would run cameras through all of the city pipes so that we know what is there and the condition they are in, but that is very expensive and the estimated cost is about \$0.50/foot or around \$200,000.
- The City has about 120 lane miles of road and essentially 60% more underground in pipes.
- We are currently in a reactive mode with many of our maintenance items due to lack of sustainable funding.
- Mr. Moorehead provided several exhibits and data related to different street maintenance scenarios that the group had requested. (See attached document from the Engineering Department).
- It was noted that Powell does not have a formal policy statement for street maintenance like many of the surrounding communities have.
- Lengthy discussion followed regarding street maintenance including the following topics:
  - Road Age
  - Pavement quality
  - Pavement structure
  - Maintenance options
- Mr. Moorehead reviewed each of the three scenarios which are summarized in the attached document from the Engineering Department.
- Mr. Cline and Mr. Jedlinsky pointed out that if we decide that we want to request funding we may not always need the whole amount and that we need to save the excess so that we can address years where we hit a peak and have

additional roads that need fixed. Based on road age, we have three peaks coming that we need to plan for. Mr. Moorhead agreed that there is a need to "flex" money between years for capital improvements and maintenance.

- There was some discussion about local service clubs assisting with funding of parks, and other capital items. It was decided that while Powell has several, and they are happy to give their time, they tend to not have the funds to pay for something of that nature.
- Mr. Cline asked if it was practical to issue debt to fund these upcoming peaks?
- The group determined that for their report they need to be able to tell the residents what sorts of capital needs they will be funding in order to make this easier to "sell".
- Meeting adjourned approximately 8:15pm
- Next subcommittee meeting is set for April 10 at 6:30 in the City offices.