

PUBLIC HEARING ON CSO LTCP COMPLIANCE PLAN MINUTES
JULY 12TH 2016
TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM
118 E FRONT ST
SOUTH WHITLEY IN 46787
5:30 PM

Public Hearing Meeting for CSO LTCP Compliance Plan was held on July 12th 2016 in the board room of the Town of South Whitley. Those present were President Bill Boggs, Councilman Les Hoffman, Councilman Randy Cokl, Waste Water Operator Kent Slater and Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Bill Boggs.

President Boggs introduced Paul Elling and Steve Gress, Engineers from Donohue & Associates, INC and gave Paul the floor. Mr. Elling stated they were here to review the purpose of why we are having the public hearing and look at what combine sewers are to know why we are doing what we are doing. Because of previous work that was done from 2008 to 2012 we need to look at what some of the overflow events were after completion of previous work that lead to the work we need to do now. Also to talk about the long term plan as to what the components are and if there any questions on this project. We are here for the purpose to discuss why these improvements are needed and if you are going to spend a lot of money as to why we are doing so. We also need to discuss the long term control compliance plan and discuss some of the alternatives we looked at, some of the project costs and provide the opportunity for questions. IDEM requires a public hearing before they will review the plan. Another purpose of the meeting to is discuss the difference between Combine Sewer System compared to the Sanitary Sewer System. Sanitary Sewer is the water that from your toilets and sinks from your house that runs straight to the waste water plant and nothing else gets in. Combine Sewer is one that takes all the water from your house plus storm drainage water that lands on the street surface or wherever it gets into the system and flows in theory to the waste water plant. What happens though is when they built the sewers back in the day everything went into sewers and combined sewer and they realized the rivers were getting so polluted that they tried to separate the sanitary sewers. Most communities still have some combined sewers that they are using, South Whitley has a couple of CSO's which is better than most communities, but IDEM says this has to be fixed because some is still getting into the river. IDEM says you have to put a sign up at each CSO location to identify to the public that they should be careful of this locate and even if you can't afford very much financially IDEM will still require you to do the project but will give you more time to do this and what is your schedule for achieving this project. Models were made from the bridge down to the plant to find where the water is getting out at the CSO. They did a one year, one hour model and a ten year storm model. IDEM wants to see that you are being as proactive as possible even if you have to take baby step changes.

Option #1 Cost is 4.2 million for new 80,000 gallon storage tank, new 3.0 MGD pumps, new 3.0 MGD pumps, additional Hypochlorite disinfection and Sodium Bisulfite dechlorination facilities, no additional collection system improvements

Option #2 Sewer Separation – cheapest cost option for new 3.0 MGD pumps, new MDG fine screen and additional chorine and sulfur dioxide disinfection facilities

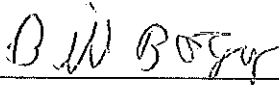
Option #3 will cut cost with this option and was the selected project. It will address the current undersized problems and also complies with current standards and future standards for about 50 years. New 3.0 MGD Vertical Screen, New 3.0 MGD pumps, 2 x 32' Diameter Clarifiers, Flow Splitter to

Clarifiers, RAS Pump Station and no additional collection system improvements. South Whitley is too small to be bond rated. If your community is above 2.2 you will get 10-20 years to pay back, 1.5-2.5 IDEM allows you 5-10 years and if you want to try to separate into 2 separate jobs they would allow 10 years. If you decide not to start now and you could put off until 2022 but no later than that.

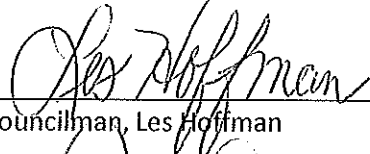
Bob Lancaster said so what you're telling us is that our plant is a little too small and need to make it bigger? Steve Gress stated they are not going to increase the size of the building but going to make it so the peak flows are better. President Boggs stated that the last engineers undersized. Mr. Lancaster also asked if the town was going to get any of the responsibility back from this company, President Boggs said they are talking about options. Donohue Engineers stated they are accepting written comments until 5:00 P.M. on July 22nd 2016.

CSO LTCP Compliance Plan may be seen at the Clerk-Treasurer's Office between 8:00 A.M – 4:30 P.M. Monday thru Friday.

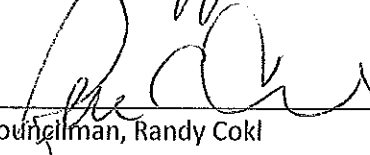
There were no more questions or comments from the public so meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P.M.



President, Bill Boggs

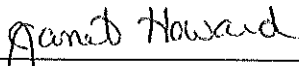


Councilman, Les Hoffman



Councilman, Randy Cokl

ATTESTED:



Clerk-Treasurer, Janet Howard