

**Village of Moreland Hills**  
**Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**February 4, 2020**

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**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 8:55 AM.

**Quorum:** The following member of the Facilities Committee were present: Councilman David Emerman, Chair; Mayor Dan Fritz; Councilman Steve Richmond; and Village Engineer, Jeff Filarski.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** A motion was made by Mayor Dan Fritz for approval of the December meeting minutes. Lacking a sufficient second, the motion was not brought forward for a vote. The only other committee member present at the December meeting was Service Director, Ted DeWater, who was not present at the February meeting.

**Building Maintenance**

- 1) **Police Generator Replacement:** Ron Sochinsky reported that the service department received a quote from CAT for the backup generator from the police station. The cost is estimated at \$35K. Mayor Fritz noted that the Village received a NOPEC grant of \$13K for this generator last year, and may receive an additional NOPEC grant of \$12K this year to cover the balance of the generator. Mr. Richmond asked if there was any value in the old generator. Mr. Sochinsky answered the only value is to use the old generator for spare parts.

**Utilities**

- 1) **Plant and Pump Station Updates:** The service department performed work at the Green Tree Wastewater Treatment Plant, including replacing the sand beds and up flow filter screens. Additionally, the village upgraded the cellular panels at the village pump stations to correct false data from being transmitted to the central server.
- 2) **Sewer Lateral Installation – Bids:** Mr. Filarski reported that bids were received for the lateral connection project. The project will involve 17 connections. Fifteen of the connections will involve open cuts on roadways and temporary road closures. Two of the connections, which are located on SOM Center Road will involve borings to avoid a road closure on SOM. By making this change, the low bidder is \$58K below previous bids from when the project included 17 borings and no open cuts. There will be a proposed ordinance for the award of this contract at the next council meeting.

- 3) Pump Station Piping Modifications – Bids: Mr. Filarski reported that bids were opened related to modifications of the pump stations to accommodate an emergency pump. This is related to being better prepared for potential pump station failures such as occurred last year at the Jackson Valley Pump Station. There will be a proposed ordinance for the award of this contract at the next council meeting.

### **Parks and Green Space**

- 1) Forest Ridge Trail Updates: Mr. Sochinsky reported that the recent windstorms knocked down a few trees across the trails in Forest Ridge, which the service department will cut and move to the sides of the trails. Additionally, the service department will address trail washouts this spring, because the trails are currently too soft to accommodate the necessary equipment.
- 2) Forest Ridge Pavilion: Mr. Filarski reported that the pavilion design began with a survey of the area and a review of the nature works grant. The Commission is ensuring that the structure will be ADA compliant, including ADA compliant restrooms. The Commission is considering whether the structure should be wood or steel and will have a recommendation on that topic soon. Additionally, plans are for the structure to be supplied with potable water from a well that will be dug on the property. The wastewater will be collected in tanks and pumped regularly.

### **Misc.**

Maureen Geck, President of the Moreland Hills Historical Society, requested that the Village waive the rent that the Historical Society pays to the Village for use of the community building. Mayor Fritz stated that the issue is an administrative one that could be addressed with the administration outside of committee meetings. There was also a discussion about Facilities Committee agendas and whether the Historical Society would continue to provide reports to the Facilities Committee or to the Parks Commission. Mr. Emerman stated that the structure was changed last year to have the Historical Society provide its reports to the Parks Commission. Mr. Emerman apologized for any confusion on this change.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:33 AM

**Next Meeting:** March 3, 2020 @8:30 a.m.