

**Community Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**March 21, 2005**  
**Creekside**

Community Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Monday, March 21, 2005, 12:00 p.m.  
Sewer Maintenance Training Room

Committee Members Present: Gary Anderson (Citizen-at-Large), Larry Clark (Toledo Area Council of Churches), Willie Ann Moore (O.N.Y.X.), Jean Overton (Citizen-at-Large), Lee Springer (Regional Growth Partnership), Sister Barbara Stallman (Clear Water Inc.), Charles Taylor (Citizen-at-Large), Steven Thomas (Local 500) and Willie Williams (Citizen-at-Large)

Other Attendees: Kattie Bond (Director, Parks, Recreation and Forestry), Steve Day (Parks, Recreations and Forestry), Sabrina Grimm (Manager, Toledo Waterways Initiative), Dave Kilmeyer (Funk Luetke Skunda Marketing Inc.), Michele Sijan (Department of Public Utilities Administration), Jan Skunda (Funk Luetke Skunda Marketing Inc.), Amber Stark (Funk Luetke Skunda Marketing Inc.), and Robert R. Williams (Director, Toledo Waterways Initiative)

Today's Meeting by Robert R. Williams

- Program Update
- Ø River Road
- Ø Point Place
- Ø Waste Water Treatment Plant
- Ø Long Term Control Plan
- Ø Next Meeting

Program Update by Robert R. Williams

- River Road and Brookford Park behind Toledo Christian Academy
- Ø 3 million gallon EQ Basin and pump station project
- Ø Sewer line
- Ø Restore Park
- Ø Replace ball field
- Ø Contracts awarded to Anderzack Pitzen for sewer line
- Ø Contract awarded to E.S. Wagner
- Ø There was a River Road Public Meeting held on March 10 at 6:00 p.m.
- Ø Letters were sent to residents informing them of the public meeting
- Ø Projects will be done concurrently
- 290th Street Pump Station nearly complete – being tested
- Edgewater Pump Station about 2 months behind
- Ø Will be completed this summer
- Ø Located at front lawn of Edgewater School
- Ø Edgewater Drive is the only road into and out of Point Place
- Ø You have to pass Edgewater school to get in or out

- Ø Doing ok with Pump Station construction
- Ø Had trouble running pipe into Pump Station – had to tear up the roadway
- Ø Two weeks ago called time out until March 24, the day before Spring break begins, due to issues with children and traffic
- Ø Install force main and gravity sewers beginning March 24
- Ø Beginning April 4, work will not begin until 9:00 a.m. instead of 7:00 a.m.
- Bay View Wastewater Treatment Plant – moving into 3 large construction projects
- Ø Grit facility – Rudolph Libbe \$13.9 million low bid
- Ø Wet Weather Grit Facility – Mosser low bid at \$40 million, high bid \$50 million
- Mosser has not yet been awarded contract
- Ø EQ Basin
- We can now handle up to 200 millions gallons per day capacity
- When finished, we will handle 400 million gallons per day capacity
- Ø Mosser and Rudolph Libbe both Ohio companies
- Ø EQ Basin bid to go out first week of April, open second week of May - \$30 - \$35 million
- Long Term Control Plan
- Ø Boards displayed for Committee members
- Ø Storage/Treatment/Sewer Separation – looking at cost benefit analysis right now
- Ø Public input – 3 public meetings
- Ø Discuss options
- Ø USEPA usually requires between 1-5 overflows per year
- Ø Costs issue
- Ø Potential sites
- Oakdale area – Storage/Treatment – Separation not an option
- I-280 – Storage/Treatment/Separation
- International Park area – Storage/Treatment
- East Side Tunnel – store 20 million gallons - after tunnel fills goes into River – cost issue – very expensive – 2-6 times base cost
- Jamie Farr Park area – Storage/Treatment
- Maumee Street area (Regulator #33) – not near anyone – does not affect neighborhoods
- Jeep property – Storage/Treatment – we like this property – Jeep has not ok'd this land being used – away from neighborhood – not City owned property
- Joe E. Brown property – Storage/Treatment – would be covered storage – grass on top
- Windemere Property – Storage/Treatment
- Ottawa River Tunnel – Storage – very expensive option
- Ø Bulk of these facilities can be underground with grass or parking lot on top
- Ø Will need access
- Ø Citizens like the idea of tunnels because they do not take up much property
- Ø Cost of facilities
- Ø Impact on neighborhoods
- Ø Rates
- Ø Stored water has its own components of pollution
- Ø At earliest, could be built 2008-2015
- Ø Possibility of storage without a cover
- Ø Other options on City-owned property
- Ø Option of two smaller or one large site

- Still asking USEPA to downsize EQ Basin and not build Clarifier 13
- Ø Could be negotiated for several years
- Columbus went to \$3.1 billion LTCP for 20 or 25 years
- Ø We are hoping to avoid that
- Every three months, City Departments (Plan Commission, Economic and Community Development, Parks, Police and Fire) are brought up to date on Consent Decree issues and progress

#### Questions/Answers/Comments

Larry Clark

- What happens to Brookford Park?
- Ø Ball diamond not available for 2 years
- Ø Temporary ball diamond on the plateau
- Minority Business involvement?
- Ø 12.3% goal
- Maintenance re: sites?
- Ø Projected cost is looked at
- Regulator #33 (Maumee Street) area flood plain?
- Ø No
- Does City have plans for Regulator #33 area?
- Ø No
- How big is area?
- Ø 12-15 acres
- Opportunity to do some type of development
- Would using Regulator #33 site keep future development from happening?
- Ø Yes
- Negative issues on sites?
- Ø Facility odors
- Ø Unattractive
- Ø Lose area to site
- Improve Park in process?
- Would neighbors look at it more favorably?
- What is the role of committee members? Vote?
- Ø No
- Ø Need your input
- Tunnels - cost

Charles Taylor

- Has original project cost changed?
- Ø Consent Decree estimate \$273 million
- Ø If USEPA doesn't like our plans, they need to be changed
- Ø USEPA could add cost
- Ø If we cannot negotiate with USEPA, we have the option to go back to Federal Court
- Ø We will do everything we can to come to a mutual decision within the budget
- Ø USEPA flies their attorneys to Chicago from Washington to meet with us
- Ø In April, USEPA representatives will come to Toledo

- Does USEPA consider cost?
- Ø Yes, the law says they must
- Ø Affordability study – USEPA says people should be able to pay 2% of their annual income toward storm sewer bill

Willie Williams

- Regulator #33 – are tracks being used?
- Ø Yes
- Senior citizens on fixed incomes – rate issue
- Will have more foreclosures from senior citizens in the next few years
- Ø Natural gas prices
- Ø Gasoline prices
- Ø Property taxes
- Ø We do have the opportunity to go in front of a Federal judge and fight down the road if need be
- Ø Total program \$450 million
- Ø WPCLF money borrowed at 3½ % for 20 years
- Ø Does not have to be paid back until Facility is built and working
- Ø President Bush cut money
- Ø Bond money 5-6%
- Ø Grant money from Marcy Kaptur's office \$1 -\$2 million
- Ø Grant money also from Army Corps of Engineers
- Ø Current rates in effect until the end of 2006

Steve Day

- Nuisance calls regarding activity in the area

Dave Kielmeyer

- Cost to get sewage to flow to a particular area
- Possible improvements to current tunnels

Willie Ann Moore

- Swan Creek?
- Ø Maumee site takes in some of Swan Creek area
- Ø Most overflow water being handled by six tunnels
- Swan Creek sewer back ups
- Ø Get with Robert Williams after meeting

Due to the unavailability of several Committee members on Monday, it was agreed that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2005 at noon. The location of this meeting will again be the Sewer Maintenance training room, 4032 Creekside.