

**VILLAGE OF MANSFIELD  
WATER COMMITTEE MEETING  
March 25, 2019**

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The Village of Mansfield Water Committee met at the NPPFD meeting room on Washington St. in Mansfield at 6:00pm. Roll was taken with Andy Stiger, Todd Jones, Ron Konen, and Don Deffenbaugh present.

Stiger described the reason for the Water Committee meeting, which was to have the committee discuss adding an iron treatment plant to the water main project if funding will come from IL EPA, which has 75% loan forgiveness.

Tom Overmyer and his colleague Andy Kieser talked about the IL EPA grant and the scope of adding an iron treatment plant. The village would need an individual with a Class B water license to operate a plant like this. Since this is an expensive item, there would likely be a 30 year payback on the loan.

Overmyer said a report would have to be put together to satisfy the IL EPA. He does believe a water plant is in the Village's future, but doesn't know if the board wants to start on it now or in the near future. It would require a building with a high ceiling.

There was discussion about the maintenance of this kind of plant. An outside company would have to replace the filters. Kieser talked about the replacement of the Gifford plant after a tornado and said it was done for around \$700,000.

Overmyer said the board can move forward with the water main replacement and do a project with the iron plant separately. The town of Buckley has used this IL EPA grant three times. Stiger is in agreement with this. Overmyer said if the board wants to have a study done on adding a plant, it could be done by Kieser for about \$2,500 and the report could be to the board at the May meeting. Kieser said he would need to talk to the water operator about the condition of things at the moment in terms of pumping rates and such.

There was discussion about a good location for a treatment plant. A possibility would be south of the shop in the empty lot at Oliver and Columbia.

Kieser recommended putting water tower painting in one of these grants because it could cost over \$100,000. Kieser said that engineering fees can be added into these loans. Jones asked to add a new hydrant around Oliver and Main. Overmyer said he can add valves too.

Audience member Deena Carico was concerned about the amount of money spent on engineering for things that may not happen.

The committee was in agreement that the water main project should move forward, including all mains in orange and green on the current map, including a new hydrant. They also agreed to revisit this fall the idea of installing an iron treatment plant and have the study by Keiser done at that time.

**Konen moved, Deffenbaugh seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call: ALL YES. Motion carried 3-0.**

**Submitted by:**

/s/ Melissa Place  
Melissa Place, Village Clerk