

**UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**of February 14, 2022**

**In Attendance:** **Vermilion City Council:** *Monica Stark, President of Council; Steve Herron, Council At Large, Pat Stein, Ward One; Teresa Mayle, Ward Two; Greg Drew, Ward Three; Barb Brady, Ward Four; Brian Holmes, Ward Five.*

**Administration:** *Jim Forthofer, Mayor; Chris Howard, City Engineer; Amy Hendricks, Finance Director; Chris Hartung, Police Chief; Tony Valerius, Service Director, Susan Anderson, Law Director*

**Call to Order:** Monica Stark, Chairwoman, RESOLVED THAT this Utilities Committee comprised of the committee of the whole does now come to order.

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**TOPIC ONE: Brownhelm Station Road Culvert Rehabilitation**

C. Howard reported last year council and the stormwater committee approved the funding for the rehabilitation of the Brownhelm Station Road Culvert. He said this is for the dead-end part of Brownhelm Station Road east of Claus Road. He submitted photographs of the condition and noted the headwalls will be replaced, as well as guardrail and there is nothing there currently. He asked council for permission for the administration to go out to bid.

**P. Stein MOVED;** B. Holmes seconded to authorize the administration to go out to bid for the Brownhelm Station Road Culvert Rehabilitation. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**TOPIC TWO:Liberty Avenue Water Line Replacement Phase Two**

C. Howard said this is an Ohio Public Works project and he is asking council for permission to go out to bid. This is to replace the existing 12-inch water line from South Shore Court to Niagara and do connections across the street. The goal is to have this project completed before the Urban Paving project, which is on the Lorain County side, and which is scheduled for July.

**M. Stark MOVED;** G. Drew seconded to authorize the administration to go out to bid for the Liberty Avenue Water Line Replacement Phase Two. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Holmes asked when ODOT will get the crosswalk flashing lights installed downtown. C. Howard said the city received funding for this through a safety grant and this project was moved from 2025 to a 2023 construction.

Monica Stark adjourned the meeting upon no further discussion.

*Next meeting: Work Session for Transient Rentals followed immediately by Committee Meetings – March 14, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. at the Vermilion Municipal Court Complex, 687 Decatur Street, Vermilion, Ohio*

*Transcribed by: Gwen Fisher, Certified Municipal Clerk*