

Water & Sewer

Sewer Issue at 207 S. 5th Street, owner J. Richards

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Adjournment

Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm by Chairman Tibbs.

Trustees present: Tibbs, Blackstock, Smith and Coon

Absent: Karker and Nolan

John Richards and John Richards Jr were in attendance representing the property at 207 S. 5th Street.

Dan Hieronymus, Phil Delgadillo, Rob Heninger and Jim Higdon were present representing the Park Board.

1. Sewer issue at 207 S. 5th Street: Mr. Richards Jr. approached the board with his concerns regarding the sewer drainage at 207 S. 5th Street. Richards, Jr. explained what his opinion of how the sewer system was disconnected and when it had occurred. Richards, Jr. explained that he had witnesses to prove who had cause the disconnection. Richards, Jr. explained his non-willingness to accept the cost of repairs solely due to his before mentioned explanation of the destruction of the septic system. There was general discussion in regards to where the septic system is located and if the old high school building and the subsequent living quarters in the old "ag" shop area were hooked to village sewer system. Richards, Jr. also explained of a hole that had been located at the southwest end of the park property to which he also drew a picture of stated area on the chalk board for better clarity. There was discussion about the boundary lines between the park district and Richards, Sr property. Smith summarized that to the best of his understanding, Richards, Jr. was wishing for the Village and/or park district to pay for all aspects of the repairs needed including the pipe. There was further discussion about boundary and land ownership. It was explained to Richards, Jr that once a septic system is no longer being used then it would be an accepted practice to separate septic tanks from the building it once serviced. Richards, Jr voiced his concerns over the accuracy of this practice. There was discussion pertaining to possible sewer lines that had been located by Richards, Jr. Maintenance Supervisor Conrad explained the findings of laterals being services through the existing village sewer main line in effected area. Park Board member J. Higdon explained his understanding of how the sewer was ran and his opinion of how the roof drains flowed. Tibbs and Smith explained to Richards, Jr the manner in which the village had attempted to work with them in resolving this matter, however; compliance to such attempts had not been followed through with on Richards, Jr's side. There were continued conversations about where Richards, Jr had located possible sewer pipes on the North end of the property in question. Tibbs and Smith discussed a possible recommendation being that Mr. Richards is responsible to find out if the building and "ag" shop area are hooked to the village sewer system and to possible allow 72 hours for the camera that Richards, Jr stated he has possession of, to be produced for use with the village maintenance and the village locator for possible blockage determination to be made. There was more discussion on potential ways to reroute the sewer pipes and possible events from the past that caused blockage also where to properly hook-up in the future. There was also discussion about the need to disconnect any facilities that utilize water that isn't properly hooked to sewer system upon completion of project.

Recommendation:

Mr. Richards will fix bathrooms and pipes hooked to city sewer or disable all bathroom fixtures that use water. Mr. Richards will hook the "ag" room bathroom to city sewer within the ninety (90) days from which the letter was received at land owner's expense and address any and all other possible sewer issues. Mr. Richards will separate all storm water run-off from sewage waste.

A short break was taken.

2. Codification: All council members present, including the Mayor and Clerk, reviewed the paperwork received from Dian Siato with Sterling Codifiers answering the questions asked in each packet.

3. Other: Smith asked about taking down a tree located at 213 W. Race Street due to some of the tree falling in a recent rain storm and the remaining tree leaning towards a residence. Smith reviewed both quotes obtained with the trustees present. There was discussion about grinding of stumps.

Recommendation: To allow Lee Reiners from Emden to remove the tree at 213 W. Race Street including the grinding of the stump. Also, it was decided to allow for all the stumps currently on village property to be ground.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Recorded by:
Stacy Coon, Village Clerk