

NRG Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2023

6:00 P.M.

NRG Meeting #2 of 2 February 22, 2023 at 6:02 P.M.

Project Team: Mayor Anthony Taylor, Village Administrator Bill Robinette, Engineer Alan Brown, Hicks Partners Keith Conroy, Hicks Partners Anthony Jones.

A. Jones started the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Program meeting introducing himself and stating the meeting agenda.

Program Overview

Timing change

Review & Prioritize

Next Steps

51% of Bremen Residents qualify as low to moderate income (LMI), which will help the loan application process.

NRG Application Process

- \$750,000 maximum grant amount
- Minimum of 3 projects (to add up to that amount)
- 5% minimum leverage (Bremen must pay this amount)

The State of Ohio has informed the Village of Bremen that we must wait until the next round of funding (2024) as Fairfield County is only eligible for this funding in even years. Everything that we have done up to this point will help with the application process. The pricing for our projects will be finalized later due to ever changing material and equipment price increases or decreases.

We had 126 Survey responses as of last week. Through the survey and meetings we have identified 66 potential projects around Bremen. We have prioritized them down to 12 that got the most response from residents.

Top Priority in order as follows:

Water: Water softeners at water plant and new meter pits.

Streets: School Street - paving, sidewalks and drainage.

Marietta Street up to Ruff Drive - Storm drains and paving.

Broad Street - lighting.

Highland Blvd. - paving and storm drainage.

Parks: Howell Park - walking path and parking lot paved.

Pool: Concrete pad repair and replacement. Lighting around pool area for evening swim time and pool parties.

Resident Questions and Concerns:

Are Fort and Highland being done no matter what this year (2023)?

What is the condition of the water plant? Does it need things repaired or replaced; such as pumps, other parts and should they be a priority over the streets?

Why aren't all drainage issues lumped together as one project and streets as one project?

Mayor Taylor and A. Brown addressed concerns.

Highland Blvd. is on the list to be done in 2024.

Fort Street and Main Street would be done this year. They have been cold patching the big holes on Fort Street.

The water plant is in good condition. The Village replaced and repaired what was needed. The Village will continue to fix the water plant.

The Village will concentrate on an area and fix all issues there are to complete the project. When you are fixing a drainage issue you then have sidewalks and streets that need repaired in that area.

A. Brown – Engineer talked about funding they applied for through other avenues. Funding for Bartlett Street flooding issues through Ohio Public Works.

Stamped sidewalks, street lighting along Broad Street, paving the walking path and parking lot, updating the water softeners, new meter pits, repairing and replacing concrete pad around pool, adding lighting at the pool for evening swim times, ADA ramps, Marietta Street sidewalk repairs, Oak Street sidewalk repairs are all on the list but will have to be prioritized into a list that meets the \$750,000 maximum budget.

NEXT STEPS:

Village will compile notes from all meetings.

Village will send out new meeting details for quarter 2023.

Survey is open until end of March 2023. Submit questions to anthony@ajcsolutions.com

Meeting for next month has been canceled.

Adjourn: 6:46 P.M.