

**Village of Higginsport  
Village Council Special Meeting  
February 24, 2025**

The Council of the Village of Higginsport met in special session at the Village Municipal Building on Monday, February 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. with all members present except Drew Smith. The meeting was called to discuss sewer plant repairs.

Also, present were: Police Chief Shawn Elliott, Greg Wilson, Dean Miracle, Linda Fester, Sandy Beair, and Leslee Hasenstab.

Mayor Beair called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Greg Wilson addressed Council presenting information regarding the required equipment replacement/repairs at the sewer plant. Mr. Wilson reported that the following three components would need replaced:

1. Control Panel (PLC)
2. UV Disinfection System
3. Screening Mechanism

He explained to complete the equipment replacement utilizing grant funding would require additional steps that would double the costs.

He explained the replacement process if it were completed without grant funding and provided the following estimated costs for each component that he had obtained quotes for.

1. Control Panel (PCL) \$50,000.00
2. UV Disinfection System \$35,000.00
3. Screening Mechanism \$20,000.00

The approximate installation costs being \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00.

A discussion ensued regarding possible funding sources to complete the project.

Mr. Miracle inquired about future funding for O&M of the sewer plant. Mr. Wilson expressed planning for funding for future O&M was critical and made suggestions for possible additional revenue sources including a septic receiving station.

Mr. Miracle suggested Council consider processing the sewer billing in-house however Mrs. Dufau expressed the cost of doing so would exceed what the village is currently paying Brown County Rural Water to do the sewer billing and the village would have no recourse if a customer does not pay their sewer bill.

Council concluded the meeting with several council members to proceed with investigating possible funding sources to complete the sewer equipment replacement.

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Motion by: Mr. Fester, seconded by: Mr. Null to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

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Lester Beair, Mayor

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Kathy Adams, Council Member

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Linda Wills, Council Member

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Mark Fester, Council Member

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Sheila G. Dufau, Fiscal Officer

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Matt Adams, Council Member

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Scott Null, Council Member

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Drew Smith, Council Member