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Flint Weekly Call Notes 09/29/2015 9:00 PM

R. Byrne, E. Cline, R. Widigan, P. Dostine, F. Headen, W. Lamphier, Mayor D. Walling, N. Henderson, Council President J. Freeman

- ❖ **Note:** Water advisory's from Genesee County Commissioners, Genesee County Health Department, and the City of Flint are attached.
- ❖ **City's Press release on Violence Reduction Network (VRN):** <https://www.cityofflint.com/2015/09/28/city-of-flint-selected-to-join-the-department-of-justices-violence-reduction-network/>
- **Priorities:**
 - Water: City is looking to CDBG funding to purchase lead filters, Mayors initiative.
 - City has CDBG funding to the tune of \$400K, city will start within and use city resources before approaching the Mott Foundation.
 - Working with United Way – they are actively searching for funding.
 - VIEOLIA is finished the contract with the city. City has implemented the recommendations from VIEOLIA.
 - \$8.4M outstanding in billing. City cannot keep going on with this issue – state needs to help take some of the responsibility with us.
 - City Admin. argues Flint is a special case with Judge Hayman's order, lead issues, financial issues, etc...
 - Cash on hand: Finance department is estimating how long the city can operate with cash on hand, and what bills are and are not being paid (presentation will be made at the November RTAB meeting).
 - Council is requesting a special meeting on October 21 to have an open discussion regarding water issues. Letters will be sent to 75 individuals, including F. Headen.
 - City Admin. does not agree with the idea and believes it is micromanaging at best.
 - Budget amendments will be presented to Council next week – reduction in revenue for enterprise fund and removing capital improvement projects. Without being able to collect water bills, the city cannot go forward with CIPs.
 - Today is the deadline for the finance department's report required by Judge Hayman's Order.
 - A report was completed and submitted, it was determined not acceptable by attorney Val Washington, the city was then asked to re-submit the report.
 - Will be submitted by 5pm today.
- **KWA:** City Administrator said that they are still on track to hook up June 2016.

- Jeff Wright, Genesee Co. Drain Commissioner is putting together all paperwork, permits, etc. to submit to the state for approval. Trying to stay/get ahead of the project.
- **Water/lead:**
 - The city has issued a lead advisory due to information released from the medical community. Working with the Gen. Co. Health Department as well.
 - Operational standpoint: Working with LAN to tie down a corrosion control plan. Will include adding phosphate to the water, aware of the potential issues with adding phosphate.
 - The city has requested that the state assist the city with possibly re-connecting to DWSD until can connect to KWA.
 - Mayor has spoken with DEQ director, he stated the city's requests are being carefully considered.
 - GOV has met with Congressman Kildee and Senator Ananich.
- **Legal representation for Flint:** City Manager has received additional detail from Miller Canfield and is reviewing it.
 - The City Administrator will send it to Treasury today.
 - Should have engagement by end of week if council works with administration.
- **Crime Rate:** City was named 3rd most violent city in America.
 - City will work to get out in front of it and address the issue.
 - Chief is at a conference by the Violence Reduction Network (VRN) – City will be able to receive additional help from DEA, etc...
- **October RTAB:** City council meeting will be approving a OPRA tax abatements on Oct. 12 and if approved would like to bring it forward to the Oct 14 RTAB meeting. Former Perani Arena (Dort Federal Credit Union Event Center).