

The Village Board has been working hard to provide village residents with good services. Here is a short synopsis of the 2014 budget.

Street Department:

The village has a 5 year plan in place to repair and replace streets and needed infrastructure. The plan includes Upper Glade, Burro Lane, Eau Galle Rd., S. Second Street between McKay St. and Newman Ave. and the block of Newman Ave located in front of the fire hall (time frame of these projects have yet to be determined).

The skid steer has been put on a rotating trade in plan, a new pick in 2014, replacement of the dump truck is being stretched out as long as possible. The board wants the PW department to continue snow removal as in the past.

Future Capital Improvements:

Items for future concerns are the possible demo of the vacated nursing home at the estimated cost of over \$300,000, dredging out of the levee that is being required by the Corp. of Engineers at an estimated cost of \$80,000, converting the Senior Citizens building into a Community Center, a dump truck, and building maintenance.

Police Budget:

Included in the budget is the replacement of the squad car every 4 years, to have a full time Police Chief and officers to cover another 40 hours per week.

Water budget:

\$ 191,563 which is supported by water usage/charge

Sewer budget: \$454,502 which is also supported by sewer usage/charge. We are paying on the debt of \$2,531,000.00 for the new sewer plant. Rates are being reviewed annually.

Listed below are some of the expenses budgeted for 2014:

Library: \$44,562 given to the library budget

Fire Service: \$37,916 Fire Association dues

Ambulance Service: \$12,470 given to maintain the Ambulance Service

Utilities:

Street Replacement and maintenance: \$59,895

Hydrant Rental: \$72,720 this is required by the Public Service Commission. We rent the hydrant from the water department for fire protection.

Professional Fees: \$21,130 for attorney, assessor, and computer programmer

Property and Liability Insurance: \$22,527

Salt & Sand: \$13,000

Chamber, Flowers & Fire Works: \$1000 Chamber dues, \$1000 flower pots, \$4000 fire works

Summer Recreation: \$2000 towards filling the pool, \$1000 softball and baseball programs

Wages & Benefits: \$353,586 includes wages, insurances, state retirement for Public Works, Police and Office employees.

General Obligation Debt: \$41,458 which will close out the loans of the GO Bond and the McKay Ave. Bridge Replacement.