McMAHON
ENGINEERS ARCHITECTS

To: **The Village President and Board of Trustees**

From: **Chris Dopkins, P.E., Village Engineer**

Re: **Engineering Report – August 2020 Activity**

Date: **September 10, 2020**

Please allow this memorandum to provide a brief summary of major activity that involves the engineering department:

- **Grant Opportunities:** We continue to monitor grant opportunities for the Village. As was reported last month, there have been grant opportunities announced through the Governor's office. These are termed "Rebuild Illinois" grants. There are specific requirements for the funds and we have been in close contact with President Costanza regarding the applicability of the funds to Village needs. The grant opportunities to date have been geared towards "shovel ready" projects meaning that all of the engineering, permits, easements, etc. must be in hand and the project must be ready to go to letting. Further, the grant opportunities are also focusing on project w/ economic opportunities. The Village does not have projects that fit the shovel ready definition, and would not be competitive when scored by economic impact. We will certainly continue to monitor the opportunities available.
- **Washington/Main Improvements:** Executed contracts have been received from the Contractor, and shop drawing reviews are underway. We anticipate site work to begin the week of 10/19.
- **Sanitary Sewer Cleaning/Televising Phase II:** Contracts have been sent to Visu-Sewer for execution.
- **Public Works Building:** We are pleased to advise that design is approximately 50% complete and is on schedule albeit the site design is lagging due to me being out of the office unexpectedly for two and half weeks. Geotechnical proposals have been obtained and are being presented to Board and Committee this month for approval.
- **IL 173 Water Main:** The contractor needs to submit a final pay application, we need to provide a summary of area of farm field disturbed to the farmer to compute crop damage, finalize the easement documents, and we need to provide a final summary of costs to Frontier so that the Village can be reimbursed. I would expect that those activities will be complete in the next 30 days.