

**FINANCE MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Dave Sluka

**Roll Call:** Paula Tubalkain, David Sluka, Ben Prescott, and Jenny August

**Others:** Linda Clark, Mayor

**Citizens:** none

**CITIZENS:** No citizens attended.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

- ❖ Motion to accept the January Finance minutes as presented by Ben, seconded by Paula. All ayes on vote.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Jenny reviewed the financial reports. She noted that in 2017, the General fund spent about \$100,000 more than it receipted in. The Street fund also spent more than it took in, but that could have been payroll related. This is a concern that should be monitored carefully.

- ❖ Motion to approve the financial reports by Ben Prescott, seconded by Paula Tubalkain. All ayes on vote.

**BILLS OF RESOLUTION:**

Nothing out of the ordinary.

- ❖ Motion to forward the Bills of Resolution to Council by Paula, seconded by Ben. All voted yes.

**LEGISLATION:**

Dave reviewed the legislation;

- **ORD. 2018-07** This is the pay scale ordinance. The only thing that changed is the reduction in pay since Bruce Rininger offered to continue as WTP Operator of Record for \$500 per month. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.
- **ORD. 2018-08** This is to renew our electric aggregation for village residents. The options are First Energy for a 36 month contract at a fixed 4.95 per KWH. The other option is Energy Alliance which offers a tiered 36 month contract. The first 2 years is at 5.39 per KWH and the last year is 4.82 per KWH. Residents can opt out of either aggregation. The Finance committee recommended that the village go with First Energy for better pricing. 1<sup>st</sup> reading.
- **ORD. 2018-09** This is a 20 year revolving loan in the amount of \$250,000 through WSRLA (Water Supply Revolving Loan Account) for 20 years at 1.8% to repair the reservoir. This is something that the EPA needs to see action on right away. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.
- **RES. 2018-10** This authorizes CT Consultants to be paid \$12,500 for water system model updates work. This could include work on the asset management documents that the village is required to complete. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.
- **ORD. 2018-11** This would make the village of Mantua an official Buckeye Trail town at no cost to the village. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.

**DISCUSSION:**

- **Road Levy-** The village's road levy is good through 2018. (2018 is collected in 2019) The Fire District is going to have a levy on Nov. 2018's ballot. The school will have an emergency levy

on in May 2019. The Finance committee agreed that the village should put the road levy renewal on this November's ballot.

- **Solicitors/Vendors in town-** The village's charges \$3.00 per day for a company to go door to door in the village. Jenny said it is scaring people to see strangers at their door and they are trying to make the residents sign energy contracts. The previous Chief wanted to get rid of soliciting in the village but Michele said we could be open to a law suit if we did that. Jenny thought we should consider making the fee much higher and possibly deter solicitors from coming.

#### **NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS:**

The Mayor said Matt Kohn, the WWTP Operator of Record said we have 2 sludge violations from the EPA. It might be something that he reported incorrectly in the sludge report. Regarding violations at the reservoir, if we do not take corrective action, we could be fined up to \$25,000 per day.

Paula said there will be an open house/training at Portage County Regional Planning on Feb. 26 at 6:00 pm. They also have a list of potential grants we could review and possibly apply for.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn at 7:17 pm by Ben, seconded by Dave. All voted aye.

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David Sluka, Finance Chair

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Jenny August, Clerk-Treasurer