

FINANCE MEETING MINUTES
February 12th, 2020

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

Roll Call: David Sluka, Ben Prescott, Bob Gaglione, and Jenny August.

Others: Joe Urso

Citizens: None

CITIZENS: No one in attendance to comment.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

There was no discussion.

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Jenny reviewed the Financial reports for the month of January. There was discussion regarding the payment and current amount due to Envirolink. Jenny expressed concerns about the high cost of this company. Dave said the negotiations with the county are progressing and we hope to have a revised surcharge soon that can be presented to Council.

- ❖ Motion to forward the Financial Reports to Council by Ben, seconded by Bob. All ayes on vote.

BILLS OF RESOLUTION:

The Bills of Resolution were reviewed. Jenny noted that she forgot to mention that on Dave's Visa the charges were to Sherwin Williams and Home Depot. Jenny also pointed out some uniform purchases made for dispatchers, such as a running jacket and weatherproof boots that she thought was an abuse of tax payer's money. She would recommend buying polo shirts and pants for dispatchers and tell them no flip flops or beat up shoes. Joe said he has started to keep a closer eye on what they are ordering. Motion to forward the Bills of Resolution to Council by Ben, seconded by Dave. All ayes on vote.

LEGISLATION:

ORD. 2019-60 This was to add a surcharge to the water & sewer bills. It was tabled at the last Council meeting. Dave said in the renegotiations with the county, they are discussing alternative surcharge ideas such as basing the surcharge on usage.

ORD. 2019-62 This is the third and final reading. No discussion.

RES. 2020-02 This is the legislation that is related to the referendum. This would direct the Board of Elections to put it on the ballot in November. No discussion.

RES. 2020-08, 2020-09, and 2020-10 is related to selling the old Police cruisers.

ORD. 2020-11 is amending the 2020 appropriations to increase General Fund to cover RITA charges, also increasing appropriations in the High St. fund. There was a small amount of money left after the project closed that we can appropriate and spend on something for High St.

so we can close the fund. The increases in the water and sewer fund are to appropriate some of the carry over money from 2019.

DISCUSSIONS:

Time Clocks

Jenny said if we put time clocks in, we will be paying overtime at the service department because they guys often start early and leave late without putting it on their time card. The Police Dept. has mostly part timers that work full time jobs elsewhere and there is often flexibility in the schedule. Joe said some employees may get hung up in traffic and get in late. Dave asked what the complaint was about then. Jenny said she suspects there is one employee that may have created this issue. Dave said we should just deal with that one employee then.

Carryovers

Dave had a document that someone gave him that means carryovers do not stay in the fund. Jenny said it is illegal to put them anywhere else. The General Fund is the only fund that she can transfer money out of, with Council approval. Otherwise, you have to go to court to move it. Jenny will provide documents in the Council packet that shows that the money remains in the fund at the end of the year.

Water Bill Inconsistencies

Dave has concerns about the inconsistencies in his water bill. He thinks his usage is pretty consistent, yet the monthly bills are all over the place. Jenny said they might be estimated reads. He will talk to Chelsea about this.

NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:51 pm by Dave, seconded by Ben. All voted aye.

David Sluka, Finance Chair

Jenny August, Clerk-Treasurer