

FINANCE MEETING MINUTES

May 12, 2021

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair Tammy Meyer

Roll Call: Tammy Meyer, Ben Prescott, Matt Rosolowski, and Jenny August.

Others: Mayor Linda Clark, Solicitor Michele Stuck, and Chief Joe Urso.

CITIZENS: None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

❖ Motion to accept the April Finance minutes as presented by Ben, seconded by Matt. All ayes on vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Jenny reviewed the financial reports. The funds are stable, and revenues are slightly under.

❖ Motion to forward the Financial Reports to Council by Ben, seconded by Matt. All voted yes.

BILLS OF RESOLUTION:

Jenny mentioned the largest expense being for Woodford Excavating for the pay estimate for work being done on West Prospect Street. No other discussion.

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

LEGISLATION:

Tammy reviewed the legislation:

Ord. 2021-20 Michele said now that we have a Village Administrator we will have to fill in her name throughout the document and some dates at Council Tuesday.

Ord. 2021-22 Mayor Clark said at the Safety meeting Heather Paisley recommended amending the legislation to say “or initiate, receive, or otherwise engage in any telephone calls”. This will be amended Tuesday as well.

Ord. 2021-25 This is for the 2022 budget. Tammy said there will be a budget work shop before the Council meeting. Jenny said she realized the totals for exhibit A do not match up with the working papers because the transfers in of \$12,000 in fund 4905 is not in the exhibit A revenue totals.

Ord. 2021-26 This is taking out water-sewer language from the Service Committee section of the codified ordinances.

Ord. 2021-27 This is to ask the voters to approve a .5 percent income tax increase specified to be allocated to the Police Department. Chief Urso explained that we are likely to be losing dispatch revenues from Garrettsville. Garrettsville is seriously looking to have the county do their dispatching as of Jan. 1, 2022 when their contract with us ends. The village will lose about \$90,000 in revenues. Ben says times are tough and he doesn't think people can afford it right now. He said we might be asking for more than we can get. Tammy asked if we have the possibility to dispatch for any other communities. Chief said Hiram Village asked him for a quote. He knew we would need an extra dispatcher. When he calculated the cost it ended up being higher than the county's cost. The county charges are based on population and Hiram has a low population. Tammy asked what would happen if we were to outsource our dispatch to the county. Chief said we still have fixed costs and we are still under contract with the Fire District. Matt asked if the village is going to consider matching the county rate. Chief is going to take a look at it. The Safety committee does not want to lose Garrettsville and is willing to look at dropping the cost. The Garrettsville Chief is

giving us the opportunity to look into this before he commits to the county. We would like to counter offer by July 1.

- ❖ Matt Rosolowski moved to forward this legislation to Council. Ben Prescott seconded. All voted aye.

Ord. 2021-28 This is the ballot language for the previous legislation.

- ❖ Ben Prescott moved to forward this legislation to Council. Matt Rosolowski seconded. All voted aye.

Ord. 2021-29 This is to increase appropriations in General Fund for transferring property tax money to the Village Hall Note Retirement fund for the monthly loan payment. The other increase is in the Water Capital Improvement fund 5761 so we can pay the county \$7200 for a voided check that was not used for waterline work.

- ❖ Matt Rosolowski moved to forward this legislation to Council. Ben seconded. All voted aye.

DISCUSSIONS:

Mayor Clark said regarding the Killed in Action Memorial, Bonnie Zoller Collier dropped off a check to the monument company in the amount of \$2,000 so they can start working on it. We have collected a total of \$1200 in donations as well.

NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS:

Matt said he has completed the online Sunshine Law training classes and got his certification. Also, he had lunch with Ted Bixler and Phil Rath and they asked him if they could front the money (\$87,000) to the village for the reimbursable Buchert Park Phase 3. Jenny is going to contact UAN to see how to treat it as a loan rather than a donation so they can be reimbursed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:54 pm by Ben, seconded by Matt. All ayes on vote.

Tammy Meyer, Finance Chair

Jenny August, Clerk-Treasurer