

Village Council Meeting As
A Committee of the Whole
December 4, 2018
Immediately Following the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting

ROLL CALL: Mindy Curry, Bob Keogh, Bill May, Louann Artiaga, and Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer. Also, present were the following: Administrator Jordan Daugherty, Director of Public Services Steve Pilcher, Police Chief Mark McDonough, Fire Chief Joshua Hartbarger, Deputy Fire Chief Jason Francis, Deputy Police Chief Allan Baer, Clerk Susan Miller, Tom Malicki, Yvonne Walters, Karen Gerhardinger, and Tyler Young.

At 7:50 PM President of Council, Bill May, called the meeting to order.

Motion by Bob Keogh, seconded by Mindy Curry to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2018 meeting. 5 ayes

President of Council, Bill May asked for Citizen Comments pertaining to Agenda items. There were none.

Finance, Audit, and Investment

The first order of business was to review proposed budgets. (Service, Fire, Life Squad, Police, Administration, Capital Projects)

- Page 4 – other miscellaneous – anticipating a donation to Veteran’s Memorial Park
- Transfer for accounting purposes, transfer for Capital projects
- Record \$1.8 million in Capital projects
- Page 5 – County permissive tax, Weckerly Road resurfacing, \$220,000 funding all of Weckerly Road
- Page 7 – JEDD expansion, Swanton Township, don’t expect revenue yet
- Page 9 – Different accounting software records all together, Administrator Jordan Daugherty breaks it all out

Fire

- Page 10 – Salaries and Wages, growing trend nationally and locally with Fire and EMS, Budgeted Funds to address personnel issues
- Difference for dispatch +\$868.00, last year for this contract, looking at possible dispatch Consolidation
- Budget increase for an additional person, Ohio police and fire pension, health insurance and Pension for new full-time officer, similar to a police sergeant – salaried, will make a future Presentation
- City evolution – sensitive to fire district
- All fire members are putting all in, dedicated volunteers, every employee is giving all they can, definitely need some relief
- Previously 100 runs was a lot – this year close to 900
- Worst fear is a no response, seeing that in surrounding areas

- Aging population not as affected by drug epidemic as other areas
- Having to do more with less, automated, mutual aid

Police

- Page 9 – School Resource Officer, hopeful for reimbursement or a grant, Payment has been Deferred
- Average overtime costs for police 10-11%, \$70,000 - \$80,000
- Hire, outfit, training, insurance is approximately \$100,000 for a new officer
- Field training, 25 special events
- One full time person won't make up for sick employees, fill in for training, vacations, Discretionary days
- Creative staffing for events, fire department, mutual aid

Park

- Page 11 - fountains in the park don't work, replace and add one near pickleball and Basketball Courts, ADA compliant
- Skid steer, used across 4-5 departments for maintenance in the Village
- Sand in park removed and depth for height of equipment and fall zone, mulch now – change in Surface later
- New trail to Dollar General will be plowed, little quarry and large quarry paths
- Look into a sound system for the Pavilion in the future
- Caboose is in rough condition, spot patch, clean, paint

Sanitation

- Page 12 – main cost – outsourcing, main cost for carts, people want to exchange for smaller size, \$230,000 for the purchase of all of the carts
- Don't have the vehicles – no insurance cost, one vehicle left, use as needed – covered by insurance

Administration

- Page 13 - Professional services
- Community Charitable donations, run like a grant program, grant apps, look at on a one to one Basis
- Change the title to Community Support instead of Charitable Donation
- Amazing response to the Beautification grant

Building Department

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Maintenance Department

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- Property Demolition, \$15,000 quote for the house across from Local Thyme
- General fund does not address the roundabout lights, just what Edison charges for existing Lights, Future LED retrofit – 5-6 year breakeven, change to cobra lights
- Audit every other year – the Village is more complex
- Page 18 – vacuum excavator, skid steer split over 5 departments

- Catch basin repair – the one on State Route 64 is not on this list
- Sidewalk by Divine Reflections, downtown streetscaping from Maumee to Waterville Street, not doing between St. Louis and the Wabash Cannonball Trail, doing from Geist to the Library and a section in front of the Whitehouse Inn, look into the strip in front of Pisanellos
- Page 19 – Park revenue fund – fitness, flowers, toddler structure, swings
- Motor vehicle tax helped with Weckerly Road
- Page 22 - Water fund, some sanitation employees moved to water
- Page 24 – buried utility locator device, locates buried wire
- Future projects: upgrades to stations and odor control
- Page 25 – Professional Services, R.I.T.A, wayfinding Industrial Park, Village Entrance Sign
- Page 27 – Capital projects, Traffic Signal \$160,000 engineer estimate for total cost with Decorative post, ADA compliant crosswalk, Look into the school system sharing the cost
- Page 29 – Pump Station, last major for the regional pump station, concrete erosion, continual Battle to repair sinking sewer grates
- Page 30 – Disregard the \$35,000
- Add five year plan for the playground
- Life Vac

Other items discussed:

- Careful earmarking the carryover – major issues in Fire and EMS, beginning balance \$950,000 – Ending \$650,000
- The Village has grown services in breadth and depth
- Submitting a budget that works
- Discussing changes with rationale and ramifications
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- Gift for Barb’s retirement – previous act of Council
- Seeding the Union Cemetery District, \$50,000 per entity, can be reimbursed, enough leeway in the budgets that we don’t spend
- Cemetery meeting December 12, 2018 at 6:00 PM in Village Hall
- Joint meeting of the three entities January 7, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Waterville Chambers, a Quorum is needed to elect a representative to the Union board

Motion by Bob Keogh, seconded by Rebecca Conklin Kleiboemer to recommend to Council to accept the budget. 5 ayes

Motion by Bob Keogh, seconded by Mindy Curry to adjourn at 9:25 PM. 5 ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Miller, Clerk