

Finance Committee

Mr. Tiettmeyer, Finance Committee Chairman, called for a Finance Committee meeting, to be held Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 6:30pm.

Website Update

Mr. Tiettmeyer said, Sund and Company has done a tremendous amount of work offering various options for our front page. The new design for the website is based on the new color scheme for the Village. Mark Sund will be invited to attend the upcoming HR Committee meeting to present his accomplishments to date. Mr. Tiettmeyer said a lot of progress has been made and we are on schedule for what we originally targeted.

Resolution for Supplemental Appropriations

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Burns. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 29-2010 A RESOLUTION APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS AND RECONCILING THE BUDGET AND AMENDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2010, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Kobasuk seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Adding New Expenditure Line

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Zornes. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Tiettmeyer made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 30-2010 ADDING A NEW EXPENDITURE LINE IN THE GENERAL FUND AND RECONCILING THE BUDGET AND AMENDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2010 DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.

Village Signs

The new Village signs have been installed at the entrances to the Village. Mayor Cosby commented on how nice the signs look. Street Commissioner Ron Dickerson is updating two signs with the new colors: one at Little Dry Run and the other at the Municipal Parking Lot with the new colors.

Council Minutes

Mr. Zornes made a motion to approve 7-27-2010 Council Minutes, seconded by Mr. Kobasuk. All Aye. Motion Carried.

HR Committee and Website Committee

Mr. Zornes announced two meetings. The Website Committee will meet Thursday, September 2, 2010 at 6:30pm to discuss website updates. And the HR Committee will meet at 7:00pm to discuss employee compensation.

Insurance Deductible

At the 7-27-2010 Council Meeting, Mr. Zornes was asked to check with the Village insurance carrier to see if it would be beneficial to raise the current deductible. He reported that the savings would be \$272 per year if the deductible is raised. Therefore, Mr. Zornes recommended keeping the current \$1,000 deductible. Mr. Zornes said, typically, departments that have a lot of high-end accidents raise their deductible to \$2,500. The majority of municipalities the size of Newtown have a \$1,000 deductible. Solicitor Miller said, why have a deductible, if you are not going to submit a claim. Mr. Zornes said the insurance company does not offer a \$3,000 deductible. Mayor Cosby said he thought it made sense to keep the \$1,000 deductible.

Newtown Veterans Association

Mr. Zornes attended the recent NVA meeting and they asked him to express their gratitude for Mayor and Council including the Veterans Association in the contract with Allen Freeman, D & S Consulting.

MSD Sewer Construction Project

The Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati has begun a network of new public sanitary sewers in the Village of Newtown and Anderson Township. Mr. Evans and Mr. Dickerson recently attended a meeting regarding the project. In all, about 33,150 feet of new public sanitary sewer lines will be built. The construction will be accomplished in two stages. The first stage will be completed between August 2010 and the spring of 2012 by contractor, Larry Smith Contractors. The second stage is expected to be done between late 2012 and 2015.

During the first stage, Contract A construction will begin in the Village of Newtown at Church Street (Newtown Road) near Valley Avenue and run in an easterly direction on the Horizon Church property to Round Bottom Road. Construction then will continue east on Round Bottom to the Anderson Township line. Sewers also will be installed on Edwards Road, stopping at the Corporation Line. Anderson Township Park District stopped the rest of the project, said Mr. Evans. Information will be mailed to residents affected by this project. For more information call MSD Customer Service Representative, Kate Scarpinski at 513.771.9424.

Flashing Caution Light

Mr. Dickerson attempted to have Duke Energy replace the pole that holds the caution light, Duke declined. Mayor Cosby instructed Mr. Dickerson to have this resolved before school began. Mr. Dickerson said the new flashing caution light was installed today, total \$2,344. Mayor Cosby said he approved this on an emergency basis because of the school buses running tomorrow.

Mr. Evans made a motion to approve \$2,344.00 to Curry Electric for replacing the flashing caution light at cure on Church Street, previously approved by Mayor Cosby. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Striping Streets

The streets were striped in March 2008. At that time, the amount was just under \$4,000. Mr. Dickerson obtained an estimate from Hamilton County, not to exceed \$4,500.

Mr. Evans made a motion not to approve an amount, not to exceed \$4,500, to Hamilton County Engineers to stripe the Village streets. Mr. Burns seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Ragland Road

Mr. Kobasuk asked if a feasibility study had been on Ragland Road regarding the water problem brought before Council. The water problem remains, funding was denied two times. Mr. Brandstetter said when Ragland Road was evaluated; the condition of the pavement was in good shape. He said we all know there is flooding but it doesn't really damage property. Mr. Brandstetter said he thought Edith, Jefferson and Pine would be more appealing for grant funding because the condition of the pavement is not as good. Cincinnati Water Works wants to replace the water main and flooding is affecting residents' property. Mr. Brandstetter suggested reapplying for Ragland Road but the scoring is not there. Mayor Cosby said after the funding Edith, Jefferson and Pine, the next step would be to start funding for Ragland Road.

Road Repairs/Improvements

The pavement at the flashing caution light and along the Church Street curve needs to be redone. Mr. Burns asked Mr. Brandstetter if Hamilton County would be doing any projects that would allow the Village to piggyback on one of their local projects to redo the pavement. Hamilton County is not doing any paving nearby, said Mr. Brandstetter. Mayor Cosby said he hoped we could piggyback onto another project or receive grant money for next year. In the meantime, we will fill in the areas to stabilize the pavement. Mr. Brandstetter suggested applying for Municipal Roadway Funds (MRF), dollars that come back from the \$5.00 license plate fee from Hamilton County Engineers office. Past projects, the Village received \$200,000 two different years: North Church Street project, \$100,000; South Church Street project, \$100,000. Little Dry Run Road was done with Issue II money, along with some MRF money, and the condition of the road is getting worse. Mr. Brandstetter said it may be need to be overlaid in one or

two years, per Mr. Brandstetter. He said if the Village decides to overlay Little Dry Run, MRF money should be applied for to overlay Little Dry Run Road. He said at that time, the Church Street Curve could be piggybacked onto Little Dry Run. MRF applications are due August 31st. Mr. Brandstetter said he wasn't sure Little Dry Run was in bad enough condition or not. There are some places where the pavement is moving around some of the catch basins. There is cracking more at the culvert at Ivy Hills Blvd. than on the retaining wall. *Mr. Brandstetter will submit an application for MRF money for Little Dry Run Road and Church Street (S Curve).* A local match is not required. Mayor Cosby directed Ron Dickerson to obtain a bid from Rack Seven to patch the worse portion of the Church Street curve. Edith/Jefferson/Pine and Drake Street Bridge are not county roads; therefore, MRF money would not apply.

Short Park Restrooms

In dealing with the federal government, money from HCPD for the Short Park easement has been delayed. Mayor Cosby said we are unsure if that project will be funded to Newtown this year or early next. He did find out that under federal regulations, there is actually more money HCPD is required to give Newtown for the easement. Mayor Cosby has discussed with Mr. Brandstetter the possibility of going ahead with the restrooms, using Village funds and the Village would be later reimbursed from HCPD.

Mr. Evans talked with Steve Mary, Hamilton County Engineer regarding the price of salt for the upcoming winter season. The cost estimate is \$68.00/per ton; last year's cost was \$73.00/per ton. Mr. Evans said the Village is buying our own salt; the County will store the salt for the Village.

Fire Board Meeting

Mr. Kobasuk attended the August 18th Fire Board meeting. Plans are on target to bid the E-Check project October 2010. The Board is moving ahead with bonds and securing property for the Fairfax station

Resolution, D & S Consulting

At the 7-27-2010 Council meeting, Council agreed to approve \$1,500 for three months, billed at an hourly rate of \$150, to retain D & S Consulting, to work on the bike staging area and look into the additional bike trail network. Also included, Mr. Freeman will assist the Veterans Memorial Wall as indicated.

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Burns. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 31-2010 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES WITH D & S CONSULTING GROUP LLC, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Burns seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.

Mayor's Monthly Statement

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to approve July 2010 Mayor's Monthly Statement, seconded by Mr. Harten. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Petro America, 7381 Main Street

Petro America LLC, previously Ivy Hills Market, has applied for a Beer/Wine carryout license. This is a routine license transfer.

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to decline requesting a hearing, seconded by Mr. Burns. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Police Department Ammunition Purchase

The police department needs to purchase their annual ammunition supply.

Mr. Kobasuk made a motion to approve an amount, not to exceed \$3,610, for the police department to purchase their annual ammunition supply. Mr. Burns seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Veterans Picnic-in-the-Park (9-12-2010)

Mr. Burns and Mr. Zornes attended the second annual fundraising event. Monies raised will go towards constructing the Veterans Memorial Wall. Community spirit was in the air with lots of fun and great food for everyone.

Holiday Wish/Giving Tree

Mr. Burns made a motion to approve Ms. Broerman's request to utilize the tree located at the Municipal Parking Lot, as a Holiday Wish/Giving Tree, in conjunction with Inter Parish Ministry. Mr. Harten seconded the motion. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Resolution Appointing Representative for State Capital Improvements

The State Capital Improvement Projects include: Edith/Jefferson/Pine Streets, Drake Street Bridge and Ragland Road.

Mr. Burns suspended the rules, seconded by Mr. Kobasuk. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Burns made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 32-2010 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CURT COSBY AS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FUNDING. Mr. Kobasuk seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.

Resolution, ATLL

The Exclusive Use Agreement is for Moundview Park ONLY for August 25, 2010 through October 31, 2010.

Mr. Burns made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Evans. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Burns made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 33-2010 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXCLUSIVE USE AGREEMENT FOR ATHLETIC FIELDS AND DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. Mr. Harten seconded the motion.

Discussion

Prior to September 1, 2010, ATLL shall pay to Newtown rent of \$500 for use of the Property. Mr. Burns said the amount has not been increased. Mayor Cosby asked if it has been communicated that the Village requires ATLL take care of the ball fields. Mr. Burns said, yes, especially for Moundview. Mr. Burns and ATLL will meet in October to discuss a new contract that would cover spring/fall playing seasons. Mr. Burns said rates and stipulations will also be reviewed for 2011-2012 seasons. Mayor Cosby said typically, the contract is for two-years.

Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance, Flagg Spring Cemetery Rules/Fees

Mr. Burns made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mr. Zornes. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Mr. Burns made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 12-2010 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING, APPROVING AND CONFIRMING RULES AND REGULATIONS IN THE FLAGG SPRING CEMETERY, DISPENSING WITH THE ECONC AND THIRD READINGS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion.

Discussion

In regards to Visitation, No. 3 on Page 2 of the rules states, "Bicycles and motorcycles are not permitted." Solicitor Miller asked why bicycles and motorcycles would not be allowed. Mr. Burns said he is for deleting No. 3. Council agreed.

Mr. Burns amended the above motion to delete No. 3 under "Visitation", Page 2 of Rules/Regulations, to allow motorcycles and bicycles in the cemetery. Mr. Zornes seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Tiettmeyer-Yes, Mr. Zornes-Yes, Mr. Evans-Yes, Mr. Kobasuk-Yes, Mr. Burns-Yes, Mr. Harten-Yes. Motion Carried.

Parks Committee

Mr. Burns will set a Parks Committee meeting at the 9-14-2010 Council Meeting.

Round Bottom Road

Solicitor Miller had asked Mr. Brandstetter to evaluate the current condition of Round Bottom Road and its capacity. Mr. Brandstetter said structurally, they can determine that and count the number of trucks that travel Round Bottom Road. They will also look at the projected number of trucks that Martin Marietta would have if the mining moves forward. Ultimately, trucks can be counted 1-5 years out as the truck traffic increases. Mr. Brandstetter has a draft prepared and will share with Council at the 9-28-2010 meeting. Mr. Evans asked if we should also monitor Round Bottom now and after Larry Smith Contractors complete the MSD sewer project. Mr. Evans said the project has begun; the streets will probably not be done until six months, approximately. Mr. Brandstetter said they will include that in the draft.

Martin Marietta Mining Update

Mr. Kobasuk asked Solicitor Miller for an update on the mining project. Solicitor Miller said all cases have been consolidated, in front of Judge Martin, October 12th. Martin Marietta has been joined as a party; therefore, everyone is in the case. All is set to go. Procedurally, there is a preliminary hearing October 12th on any preliminary motions. Martin Marietta's attorney has indicated that he will probably be filing a motion to try and have Newtown, Terrace Park and Indian Hill thrown out of the case. Mr. Kobasuk asked Martin Marietta had changed their position with the County Commissioner's adopting the resolution not allowing Martin Marietta to go under Round Bottom Road. Solicitor Miller said there has been no indication to that effect.

Mr. Burns made a motion to adjourn at 7:48pm.