

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, January 17, 2012 – 7:30 p. m.
Main Conference Room – Mayfield Village Civic Center

The Finance Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 in the Main Conference Room at the Mayfield Village Civic Center. Mr. Marrie called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Marrie, Mrs. Mills, Dr. Parker, Mr. Delguyd

Also Present: Chief Edelman, Chief Mohr, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Dinardo,
Mr. Wynne, Mr. Thomas, Ms. Wolgamuth and Mrs. Betsa

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Mrs. Mills, seconded by Dr. Parker, nominated Mr. Marrie as Chairperson. There was no opposition. Mr. Marrie will serve as Chairperson for 2012.

Mr. Marrie stated that the below items were all covered at Finance Caucus.

1. **Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$15,000 to OneCommunity for annual subscription and fiber maintenance fee.**

Mr. Marrie stated, this covers all of our internet and voice-over IP phones as well as all of our subscribers for the fiber ring in Beta Park. Right now, 8 are participating. We have some money in the bank from the fiber. Any questions? There were none.

The Committee recommended Item #1 for approval.

2. **Motion to authorize expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 to the United States Postal Service for postage for all departments.**

Mr. Marrie stated, this is an annual expense. Last year we used less than \$25,000. There is an increase coming from the postal service, but according to Ron, even with the increase, \$25,000 should cover it.

The Committee recommended Item #2 for approval.

3. **Motion to authorize an expenditure in the amount of \$11,340 to TAC Management for monthly TAC fees for CAD and Olen for 2012.**

Mr. Marrie stated, this is for the police computerized dispatch system. This is an annual expense. Chief Edelman added, we do this every year.

The Committee recommended Item #3 for approval.

4. Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$15,024 to CRIS for monthly CRIS/LEADS/NCIC usage for 2012.

Mr. Marrie stated, this is also an annual expense. There were no questions.

The Committee recommended Item #4 for approval.

5. Motion to authorize expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 to City of Bedford Heights Jail for prisoner housing for remainder of 2011.

Mr. Marrie stated, this is to clean up the 2011 expenditure. Chief Edelman added, it covers the overage.

Dr. Parker stated, in the past we used Gates Mills for a lot of prisoner housing, but now because we charge them for our emergency services, it's much more economical to use Bedford than any other place.

Mr. Marrie added, because of the way the Chief has worked it out, the amount that we are getting for ambulance service and EMS for Gates Mills more than offsets this.

Mr. Delguyd asked, are we getting that approved through Gates Mills? Is that renewed by Gates Mills again this year?

Mr. Wynne replied, it's a three year agreement.

Dr. Parker stated, I heard they weren't happy with us. They were going to shop around because there was some dissatisfaction with the cost. Not with the service.

Chief Mohr stated, they had that exercise last year also. About every three years, they check around and it always comes back to us.

Mr. Delguyd stated, there's a geographical issue with that as well.

Mr. Marrie asked, where are they going to go?

Chief Mohr replied, their option is either Chagrin Falls or Chester.

Mr. Marrie stated, Chagrin Falls, look at the distance.

Mrs. Mills added, Chagrin Falls services too many communities already.

The Committee recommended Item #5 for approval.

6. Motion to authorize expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to City of Bedford Heights Jail for prisoner housing for 2012.

Mr. Marrie stated this is for 2012. It may have to be adjusted. It may be more or it may be less. Any questions? There were none.

The Committee recommended Item #6 for approval.

7. Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$7,884 to Carlson Cleaning Services for cleaning of new police station – 2012.

Mr. Marrie asked Chief Edelman, you are very satisfied, am I correct? Chief Edelman replied, we are, yes. Mr. Marrie asked, any questions?

Dr. Parker stated, owning my own business and having to hire cleaning people, I assume there is some kind of way to evaluate them periodically. I know they usually start out really good and then over time, some of them will start to slack off.

Chief Edelman stated, we monitor their activity periodically. In fact, Carlson Cleaning will call us monthly just to see if we are still satisfied.

Mr. Marrie stated, they do monitor.

The Committee recommended Item #7 for approval.

8. Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$7,280 to Treasurer of State for annual MARCS fee.

Mr. Marrie stated, this is for the fire and police radio which is an annual expense. Any questions? There were none.

The Committee recommended Item #8 for approval.

9. Motion to authorize expenditure in the amount of \$14,600 to Zambelli for fireworks for 4th of July Celebration.

Mr. Marrie stated, this amount is the same as last year. It's also the last year of a three-year contract. Any questions?

Mr. Dinardo asked, when does this go out to bid for the next three years?

Mr. Marrie replied, it's in the process right now. They are looking at companies right now. One of the things we will be looking at in addition to a price, in fact, more importantly than price, is the safety. They are computerized. The Chief is tremendously satisfied with the safety factor. Like the Chief said last week, some of them just take the flare and start lighting the things. Is that right Chief?

Chief Mohr replied, yes, that's true.

Mr. Thomas stated, I am working with Dave on this.

Mr. Delguyd asked, is there any issue with, didn't we have to change where the fireworks were shot off this year?

Chief Mohr replied, no we didn't move them. There are State laws providing distances. It's based upon the circumference of the shells. They fire a 4 inch shell. With the distances of the 4 inch shell, there are National Fire Protection standards based upon past accidents. This is the circumference that we have. Believe it or not, the school is perfect. It allows for the traffic and for people to be down Beta Drive where they can still see the show or be at the gazebo or the center of the Village.

Mr. Delguyd clarified, my question was whether the construction at the school affected anything?

Chief Mohr replied, no.

Mrs. Mills stated, this all starts in the Activities Committee and goes to Finance and then to Council for approval. One of our members has been very very active with both Chiefs as far as how the fireworks have been set off. We try to be very safe with this.

Dr. Parker asked Chief Mohr, I assume that the grassy area next to the fire station is off limits at that time, right?

Chief Mohr replied, yes. We further expand the perimeter. It actually goes down to your property, next to 6665. That's off limits. We have about a 1,000 foot perimeter around the actual shooting site.

Mr. Marrie replied, as a bonus, last year with the storm coming up, Zambelli used the computerized system and we got a grand finale real fast, but otherwise, we would not have had that or they would have had to cancel it. It would have been too bad.

Mr. Delguyd asked, and we still schedule fireworks on a day other than July 4th to get the better rates, right?

Mrs. Mills replied, yes. We don't do them on 4th of July.

Mr. Thomas replied, we shoot them of on June 30th this year. Rain date July 1st.

Chief Mohr added, it's always the Saturday before the 4th.

Mr. Marrie stated, so that contact will come up again once the committee decides and brings it to Activities and then Finance.

The Committee recommended Item #9 for approval.

10. Motion to authorize expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 to Progressive Fitness Center for 2012 memberships for residents.

Mr. Marrie stated, this is a pass-through. Nothing out of our kitty.

The Committee recommended Item #10 for approval.

11. Motion to authorize selection of independent auditor James G. Zupka to perform Village audit for 2011-2014.

Mr. Marrie stated, Ron can give you the details, but Ron, we are just authorizing you to go out, or do you want to put these prices on it?

Mr. Wynne replied yes, with the State we got four firms to make a selection from.

Mr. Marrie asked, right, but are we passing the amount, accepting them?

Mr. Wynne replied, accepting their bid.

Mr. Marrie replied, the first year is \$12,650 and then it's \$11,500 for the next three years. Last year with the State, we spent \$11,595. Ron worked with the State on the selection. There were four. This is the one selected.

Mr. Delguyd stated, that's my industry. That's dirt cheap. You are not going to get anything better than that.

Mr. Marrie asked if there were any other questions. There were none.

The Committee recommended Item #11 for approval.

12. Motion to acknowledge support of Cuyahoga County Business Attraction and Anti-Poaching Protocol.

Mr. Marrie asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Delguyd asked, are we saying that the Finance Committee is recommending that we sign this?

Mr. Marrie replied, yes. We are saying to Council that we are recommending the signing of this. I think we have everything to gain to cooperate with the County. We have been getting some favorable results with the County. We have nothing to lose. Some larger municipalities feel they don't need it. That's my personal opinion. It's everything to win and nothing to lose.

Dr. Parker stated, they have taken some of the muscle out of it in terms of what the city or County can say. I don't look at us as some of these cities that necessarily aren't attractive to a company. I look at

this as an attractive city. That being said, I guess we have to go with what's recommended. My gut sense is I think of us as more of a very attractive city that anyone would want to come to. We are being told that there's no negatives. My gut instinct is it's not good, but you are telling me that it is. That's how I feel.

Mr. Wynne replied, there's no financial implications for us at all.

Mr. Delguyd stated, the thought is there's going to be more, this \$100 million program, if we don't sign up, we don't get access to it. What you were referring to is that Westlake or Strongsville said, forget it, I don't need a \$100 million fund. I would rather just not sign it. We could always use the \$100 million fund.

Mr. Marrie stated, that's fine if they don't want to. Also, to my knowledge, and I haven't been around that long, but I don't think we have been the kind of village that has gone out scratching from somebody else. I will take your word for it Steve, you said it and I agree with you. I think we are the kind of place that people want to come to. It sort of blends with what we are doing.

Dr. Parker asked, Ron, are you telling me that if a major company wanted to move out of Cleveland and build a \$40 million complex here, \$100 million seems like a lot of money to people, but it doesn't necessarily mean you get \$100 million?

Mr. Marrie replied, no, it's just a fund.

Dr. Parker stated, I guess my question is, would we in any way be preventing ourselves from capturing someone who wants to leave Cleveland and they want to come here?

Mr. Wynne replied, no.

Mr. Delguyd added, there's no penalty.

Dr. Parker stated, then there's no problem.

Mr. Wynne stated, the \$100 million fund from my understanding is not necessarily for the municipalities but the businesses that are going to relocate.

Mr. Delguyd stated, and they are not going to give money to Company A moving from Cleveland to Mayfield Village unless they are threatening to move out of the County. They might say it's more of a retention fund to keep you in the County. It's not an incentive to move in to Mayfield Village. It's an incentive not to move out of County.

Mr. Marrie stated, like not to move out to Willoughby.

Mr. Delguyd stated, right. Which to be honest with you as a border city, it's probably more attractive to us than it is to a city like Cleveland which has really no outside threats from a County standpoint.

The Committee recommended Item #12 for approval.

13. **Resolution No. 2012-01**, entitled "An Emergency Resolution confirming the reappointment of Ronald Wynne as the Director of Finance for Mayfield Village, Ohio and establishing the terms, conditions and compensation." Introduced by Mayor Rinker and Council as a Whole.

Mr. Marrie stated, Ron, we would be lost without you. You have done a great job.

Mr. Delguyd asked, are all appointments like this technically one year appointments and then you renew every year?

Mr. Wynne replied, some of the appointments are yearly appointments, some are two-year. This is a two-year appointment.

The Committee recommended Item #13 for approval.

14. **Resolution No. 2012-02**, entitled "An Emergency Resolution confirming the appointment of Mary E. Betsa, as Clerk of Council." Introduced by Mayor Rinker and Council as a Whole.

The Committee recommended Item #14 for approval.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Marrie asked if there were any other matters. There were none.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary E. Betsa, Clerk of Council