

Finance Committee
Monday, September 26, 2022
6:00 p.m. Medina City Hall – Multi-Purpose Room

In attendance: J. Coyne – Chairman, P. Rose, J. Shields, B. Lamb, R. Haire, D. Simpson and J. Hazeltine

Also present: Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Chief Walters, Andrew Dutton, Dan Gladish, Jansen Wehrley, Chief Kinney, Kimberly Marshall, Barb Dzur, Darin Zaremba, Rick & Tammy Kirby, Alyssa Alfano, and Kathy Patton.

1. Assignment of Requests for Council Action

2. 22-207-9/26 – Budget Amendments

#2022-029 – Accept Checks for 9/11 Memorial

Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion passed 7-0.

#2022-030 – Probation Services – Uniforms

Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion passed 7-0.

#2022-031 – Probation Services Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion passed 7-0.

#2022-032 – Hospital Refund / IT Dept / Misc.

Mr. Dirham stated it was for an overcharge and the next three are the advance to the newly created IT Fund and then the appropriations of the funds within that fund and the rest are just some transfers. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion passed 7-0.

3. 22-208-9/26 – Amend Code 505.07 – Cruelty to Animals Generally (a)

Mr. Wehrley stated this is to add the language to the cruelty to animals' ordinance, adding "except as permitted by 505.11". The current ordinance that we have doesn't provide a definition of domestic or companion animals or wild animals and felt it was justified to clean this up. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

4. 22-209-9/26 – Grant Application – Body-Worn Cameras – Police

Chief Kinney stated this is a grant for the software they use and is for two additional licenses and personnel costs. Emergency is requested due to grant deadline passing. Mr. Shields moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

5. 22-210-9/26 – Master Services Agreement w/Medina County Port Authority

Sergeant Zaremba stated this is a three-year contract that was reviewed by the Law Director and approved. Emergency clause is needed so this can take place by January. Mr. Shields moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

6. 22-211-9/26 – Revocable Use Permit – Fencing & Stairs on City Parking Lot Property

Andrew Dutton stated this is to be able to remove a 4ft. tall chain link fence on the Feckley lot property and replace with 4ft. tall black metal fence. The staircase will be reconstructed in same material for handrails to match the fence. Emergency clause is requested in order to start

project. Mr. Coyne stated to update the notary cause (add sentence).

Mr. Shields moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

7. 22-212-9/26 – ARPA Funding for Permanent Supportive Housing Approval

Barbara Dzur stated this is a \$70,000 request for the permanent supportive housing development being proposed on Independence Drive. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

8. 22-213-9/26 – Donation to Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry

Mr. Wehrley stated this has taken several weeks to get together. Requested here is a non-profit that has been around for some time called Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry. They have a local chapter in Wayne County. Feeding Medina County participated in the program out of Wayne County last year and received approximately 300 pounds of ground venison. They agreed to let individuals participating in our archery hunt to have the opportunity to take their deer to Canaan Meats after youth gun season or Yoder Meats which are both in Wayne County to have their animal donated if they so choose to and it would go to feeding Medina County.

Feeding Medina County is feeding approximately 3,000 people each month and go through 1,200 pounds of meat and they are in need of protein. Jansen felt it would be beneficial to consider donating. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

9. 22-214- 9/26 – Resolution of Support – Champion Creek Connector Project

Jansen stated the city has been in discussions with West Creek Conservancy which is a local non-profit that works with a variety of different organizations including Medina County Park District on preserving and protecting green space within communities and Northeast Ohio. They are asking for a resolution of support to provide support to them through a grant application to Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program where they will be applying for grant funding to purchase approximately 10 Acres adjacent to Roscoe Ewing Park and Stanberry and Maxine Nichols Park for the sole purpose of conservation and preservation. The emergency clause is requested because the grant application is due by October 28th. Mr. Shields moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

10. 22-215-9/26 – Increase P.O. #2022-689 – Kokosing – Service Dept.

Mr. Piccoli stated they are looking to increase this P.O. in the amount of \$18,000. We use asphalt to patch big areas in the streets and parking lots and there has been an increase in pricing and were trying to get to the end of the year but it doesn't look like they can. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

11. 22-216-9/26 – Storm Water Operation & Maintenance Agreement – Taco Bell

Mr. Patton stated they have done this before for other businesses, the EPA has made it a requirement that when installing a detention facility, they have to maintain it and come to an agreement with the local municipality to complete that maintenance. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

12. 22-217-9/26 – Bids, Job #1124: Fire Station #1 Parking Lot Replacement

Mr. Patton stated they thought the ARPA Funds would be a good opportunity for this project to replace most of the parking lot. There are some areas that we felt could remain. Mr. Shields

moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

13. 22-218-9/26 – Bids, Job#1097: City Railroad Drainage & Crossing Improvements

Mr. Patton stated they received a grant from ORDC in order to complete this project, that grant will furnish \$249,600 towards the \$411,000 project. This will be a complete replacement of the existing surface crossing. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

14. 22-219-9/26 – Easements – Gates Mill Bridge Replacement

Mr. Patton stated the property owner agreed to sign the easement for the appraised amount in addition to that he is asking us to furnish and install some rock rip-rap along the existing stream embankment adjacent to their home to stabilize the stream bank. Patrick felt this was fair and reasonable and the estimated cost for this additional work is \$2,700.00. Mr. Shields moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

15. 22-220-9/26 – Increase P.O. #2022-1083 – Emergency Railroad Repair

Mr. Patton stated they have had several emergency railroad repairs and this is the latest one and asking to increase the existing P.O. by \$15,000 which will cover the invoices they have on hand. Mr. Shields moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

16. 22-221-9/26 – ARPA – Approve Small Business Workforce Assistance Grants

Mrs. Marshall stated this is for council to consider approval of 22 small business grant applications and authorize the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with each business. The dollar amounts of the applications vary and were based on what was requested, eligibility and need. Estimated cost is \$108,000.00. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

17. 22-222-9/26 – Increase P.O. #22-1077 to \$24,000 – Fire Dept.

Chief Walters stated this is a P.O. increase for an unexpected repair to one of the fire trucks. This estimate is just over \$11,000.00. The emergency clause is requested due to this truck being out of service. Mr. Shields moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

18. 22-223-9/26 – Amend S&B Code, Chief Building Official Compensation

Mr. Coyne stated every so often our department heads are offered opportunities in other communities to take jobs elsewhere and this is one of those situations where our Building Official had that opportunity and has shown in the request, his pay grade is at a 114 which is a range between \$107,000 and \$128,000 his current salary is at \$112,000. Dan is an asset to our city. He generates a lot of funds from his department. Dan has enough funds in his carry forward to cover the increase in his cost over the next five years. Dan likes it here and wants to stay here and has agreed to be matched out to what the other community offered. Estimated cost is \$12,513.00 for the increase in his salary.

Mr. Shields noted that Dan did not ask for council to match what the other community offered, it was council and the Administration's idea when Dan handed his letter to the Mayor and we did not want to lose him. Mr. Shields moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion Passed 7-0.

19. Executive Session: (land acquisition)

It was moved by Mr. Shields and seconded by Mr. Simpson to enter into Executive Session at 6:23 p.m. to consider the purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of property at competitive bidding because premature disclosure would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person who's personal, private interest is averse to the general public interest. To include Council, the Law Director and Parks and Recreation Director. The roll was called, and motion passed by the yeas of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, J. Coyne, D. Simpson, R. Haire and J. Hazeltine.

The executive session adjourned at 6:35 and Finance Committee reconvened and adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

John M. Coyne, Chairman