

## Amberley Village Ad Hoc Committee

December 8, 2011- 7 p.m.

### Meeting Minutes

Stephen Lerner called the meeting to order at 7:05.

Attendee's: Aaron Freed, John Neyer, Eric Goering, Stephen Lerner, Rick Lauer, Rick Jones, George Fisher, Connie Hinitz, Ron Regula, Bill Schneiderman, Michael Lake, Bill Leonard, Scot Lahrmer, Lt. Blum.

1. Review and Approval of Minutes of 11/21/11 Meeting
  - o Motion: John Neyer Second: Michael Lake; Motion passes without opposition.
2. Report of the Expense Subcommittee
  - o Several meetings have taken place by the Expense Subcommittee.
  - o Presentations of budget and services have been made by Chief Wallace for Police and Fire and Steve Rasfeld, Public Works Supervisor for maintenance.
  - o The next presentation will be made by Scot Lahrmer on Administration.
  - o Review of request by committee to Scot Lahrmer, Chief Wallace and Steve Rasfeld for scenario's under various budget levels. These reports should be available by mid January 2012.
  - o Scot Lahrmer has provided the General Fund budget from 2006 to 2012 to Rick Lauer who, in turn, made it accessible to the full committee. Rick L. encouraged a thorough review for ideas relative to potential expense reductions.
  - o Eric Goering discussed the challenge in determining how time is spent by Maintenance and Police between their normal duties and Fire duties and other. A greater effort to understand the breakdown is ongoing.

### 3. Report of the Revenue Subcommittee

- Rick Lauer provided recap of several meetings held by the Revenue Sub Committee.
- Council is proceeding with 10 mil levy on March 6, 2012 ballot.
- Discussions regarding how to offset a portion of the millage increase to residents by amending other fee's is ongoing.

Lower Storm Water fee to residents

Transfer garbage fee back to village from residents.

- Other revenue ideas being researched by the sub-committee are:

Volunteer tax by residents and/or donations

Change structure of Mayor's Court to capture more income.

- Lt. Blum discussed current fee structure for various offenses and possible increases to more cover costs associated with court, etc.
- Mr. Lauer discussed the need for the Revenue Committee to have clarification and recommendations made by the Expense Committee before fully understanding amount of additional revenue required.
- George Fisher inquired as to whether or not Amberley Green is viable source for revenue and when. Mr. Lauer indicated that council has discussed utilizing a broker or developer to search for possible tenants. Timing is uncertain.
- Attempts are being made to re-zone the North Site for potential commercial use and revenue generation.

#### 4. Discussion of Current Thinking on Balancing Budget

- Ron Regula recommended analysis independent of Administration relative to budget levels and the impact of possible reductions to balance against anticipated revenue. More detailed analysis of expense line items required.
- Scot Lahrmer mentioned issue of Amberley Green bond maturity and potential refinancing issues. Currently pay interest only. Principal and interest beginning October 2013.

#### 5. Schedule of future meetings

- Expense meeting December 13, 2012
- Revenue meeting is December 15, 2012
- Full Ad-Hoc Meeting's scheduled for January 11, 2012 and January 19, 2012

#### 6. Other business

- Communications to the residents. Tom Muething stated that Council is working on a plan for communicating to residents and possible public meetings to present findings.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:30: Rick Lauer. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Connie Hinitz.