

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 7, 2016

Attendees: Peg Conway (committee member), Tom Muething (committee member), Scot Lahrmer, Kathy Harcourt and Ed Hattenbach

Others in attendance: Bill Doering,

The minutes of the November 1, 2016 Finance Committee were approved as amended.

As part of the forward planning for the Police Levy there was a discussion as to the meaning of the phrase regarding the “10 mill limitation.” Apparently, there is a limit regarding “inside millage” that may be used for municipal vs county purposes. This will be researched and clarified. Mr. Muething moved to recommend to council a resolution requesting information from the Hamilton County Auditor to determine that amount of taxes that may be raised with the renewal of the Police Levy of 8 mills. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conway. The motion passed unanimously.

The current administrative copier is approximately ten years old and is not operating at peak efficiency. A proposal was received from Millennium Business Systems, an authorized National Joint Powers Alliance member in the amount of \$8,473 for a color copier. Ms. Conway moved to recommend to council authorizing the village manager to enter into an agreement to purchase this copier. The motion was seconded by Mr. Muething and passed unanimously. The current copier will be transferred to our maintenance facility for their usage.

As part of the waste/recycling contract negotiated by the CLG, an opportunity exists to extend the current contract for one more year with an overall monthly rate of \$12.89, an increase of \$.26 over the previous year. Mr. Muething moved to recommend to council to adopt an ordinance to exercise the renewal option. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conway. The renewal rate will be less than the monthly fee paid in 2011-2013. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Muething moved to recommend to council an ordinance to increase appropriations by \$45,000 for Fire Department wages and benefits for the balance of 2016. This was a result of an increase in overtime. Additionally, there is a need to increase appropriations by \$140,000 for additional tax refunds for 2016. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conway. One taxpayer sold his business and paid estimated taxes in excess of what was required. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Edward Hattenbach
Chairman, Finance Committee