

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting
February 21, 2012

Members: Diana Colavecchio, Chair
Don Walters
Jeff Iula

Mrs. Colavecchio called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. All members were present.

The minutes from the February 6, 2012 Finance Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

Legislation Discussed:

Temp. Ord. A-9
Temp. Ord. A-10
Temp. Ord. A-11
Temp. Ord. A-12
Temp. Ord. A-13

Discussion

Temp. Ord. A-9

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the installation of a new roof at Fire Station 4, located at 3089 Northampton Road, and declaring an emergency.

Chief Moledor stated they are looking to put a peaked roof on the two-story section of Station 4. They have been having trouble with the flat roof leaking. This replacement was budgeted. He did not anticipate any other structural issues with that station. Mrs. Colavecchio asked if this building had been a part of the new Energy Smart audit that was being performed on City buildings. Chief Moledor stated the company was currently looking at the heating at Stations 1 and 4. He will ask them about it when they are out at Station 4. Mr. Walters asked if the roof issue was a result of the tornado a few years ago. Chief Moledor stated that tornado skipped over the building, and he believed the only issues at that time were just the windows and the door. He will double check but felt sure the current issue was not related to that tornado.

Mr. Iula moved to bring out A-9 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Walters. Motion passed 3-0.

Temp. Ord. A-10

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for replacement of an 8" water main with a 12" water main in Front Street between Broad Boulevard and Sackett Avenue, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Demasi stated they have experienced several significant breaks in this area and have also had problems with water pressure. The line also needs upgrades. The existing line was installed in 1907 and will be replaced with 12" ductile iron. The project was bid, and the bids were opened on February 7. They received eight bids and are expecting to award the bid next week. The project should take approximately 90 days. They will be replacing 1,600 feet. Mr. Christopher added there have been five breaks in the past seven years. Mr. Iula asked what side of the street the line fell on. Mr. Demasi stated it

is in the street towards the fire station side of Front Street. The new line will be closer to the center line of Front Street. They will coordinate the work with the needs of the fire station.

Mr. Walters moved to bring out A-10 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed (3-0).

Temp. Ord. A-11

An ordinance levying special assessments for the repair or replacement of sidewalks and drive approaches in the Sidewalk and Drive Approach Repair and Replacement District, for the year 2011, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Brodzinski stated this is the annual ordinance that allows the City to send invoices to residents for work done last year on sidewalk and driveway approaches. It will also give the residents time to pay before the City ends up certifying the costs at the end of August. The cost is almost \$45,000 in total assessments at 175 locations. Mrs. Colavecchio asked why the City waits until the end of the year. Mr. Brodzinski stated this has always been a two-year process but, this year, they are going to have a cut-off date and bring another ordinance down to assess projects as of that date while still giving residents at least a 30-day window before the amounts are put on the tax duplicates. Any remaining residual will carryover into next year. He added that residents can always pay at the time the work is performed. Mrs. Pyke asked Mr. Demasi to explain why there were so many projects done for the good of the public. Mr. Demasi stated there were 10 to 12 locations where the City did the replacements from damage due to last year's tornado. Mrs. Pyke felt it was important for residents to know that the money for those repairs came out of this program.

Mr. Iula moved to bring out A-11 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Walters. Motion passed (3-0).

Temp. Ord. A-12

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into a contract without competitive bidding with Vance Outdoors, Inc. dba Vance's Shooters Supplies for the trade-in and purchase of rifles for use in the Police Department, and declaring an emergency.

Chief Pozza stated this ordinance will allow the Police Department to purchase 23 new AR-15s for the cruisers and the SWAT Team. The reason there was no bid was because their current weapons are Remington 76-15s and are no longer being produced or supported by Remington. Vance was the only company that would give them a trade-in. They will be trading in 27 Remingtons plus ten various weapons used by SWAT. The trade-in value they are receiving is \$15,650. The total cost under the ordinance also includes access slings and magazines. The Remingtons are approximately eight or nine years old and were purchased with a grant in 2003 or 2004. It was a new product by Remington and was a good fit at the time. The AR-15 is used by thousands of police departments around the country and is a proven weapon. Mrs. Colavecchio asked if there will be any retrofitting for the new guns. Chief Pozza stated there will be and that it is included in the cost. Mrs. Klinger asked if the Department has purchased from this company in the past. Chief Pozza stated they purchase ammunition from them.

Mr. Walters moved to bring out A-12 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed (3-0).

Temp. Ord. A-13

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into a contract or contracts without competitive bidding with Motorola, Inc. for the maintenance of the Public Safety Regional Dispatch System Equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Konich stated this was for all public safety dispatch equipment inside of Fire Station 5. It is the annual renewal and represents a zero percent increase over last year.

Mr. Iula moved to bring out A-13 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Walters. Motion passed (3-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.