

# Cuyahoga Falls City Council

## Minutes of the Finance and Appropriations Committee Meeting

### October 4, 2004

Members: Mr. Flinn, Chairman; Mr. Barnhart, Vice Chair; Mr. Gorbach, Member.

Mr. Flinn called the Finance Committee to order at 6:45 p.m. All members of Committee were present. The minutes from September 20, 2004 & September 27, 2004 Finance and Appropriations Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

#### Pieces of Legislation this evening (second readings):

A-142	An Ordinance amending Resolution No. 8-2002 and Ordinance No. 112-2004, to provide hardship deferments for certain assessments, and declaring an emergency.
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Mr. Flinn indicates there is another meeting scheduled for Thursday to discuss deferments with one of the homeowners. We will hold this ordinance and request a special meeting on Monday.

*The committee recommends holding Temp. Ord. A-142*

A-143	An Ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the purchase of major equipment needed to replace substation #2 and the construction of new substation #13 on Bailey Road, and declaring an emergency.
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Mr. Bye indicates they are out for bids right now so they can determine the type of equipment they will need. Mr. Brodzinski indicates that the 2004 budget was analyzed/reviewed and \$980,000 will not be spent this year for one reason or another. There is a healthy fund balance in the electric fund. We need to lie out a footprint to determine the type of equipment that will be needed for this substation.

*The committee recommends bringing out Temp. Ord. A-143*

#### Miscellaneous Business:

Mrs. Hummel states she has received numerous calls about the costs involved with the recent visit of President Bush. Natatorium costs were jeopardized due to the loss of business. Were the costs involved financed from the Bush Reelection campaign or are we as the city responsible? What about the OT from the police, fire, and Street Service Department? Are these figures available now? If not when?

Mr. Arrington, states the fee is \$1200 for the rental of the Natatorium, which is being covered by the Bush/Cheney Reelection Campaign. The city is tallying the costs and will be sending/seeking reimbursement from the Bush/Cheney ticket. Mr. Arrington will share the final costs with Council. Mrs. Truby indicates there was a poor response for the Senior Expo, but was going to make it a "go". There was one birthday party schedule and the mother elected to reschedule. A church wedding and 9<sup>th</sup> grade football game was accommodated and the President made a special stop at the church to congratulate the bride/groom.

Mayor Robart indicates that the campaign will pick up 96%-98% of the costs. The PR towards our Natatorium and the notoriety to our city was on the National level. The real impact on the city is immeasurable. It was a once in a lifetime experience. Many of the people (secret service/volunteers) went to the Oktoberfest with also fueled our local economy.

Finance and Appropriations Committee Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.