

MINUTES SAFETY COMMITTEE
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
December 19, 2011

Members of Safety Committee present: Mel Clemens, Chris Long, Nathan Burd. Councilman Fred Deskins, Jr. was absent.

Other members of Council present: Leslie Kelly, Doug Joseph, Barth R. Cotner, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Clemens called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The agenda was approved.

Minutes of the Safety Committee meeting of November 7, 2011 were approved without objection.

Discussion: Liquor Permit Request - Transfer - from PZAZ LLC dba Just Off Main to K II LLC dba Just Off Main, 1371 Hentz Dr, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068- -Mr. Clemens said he had a letter from Chief Suci that they found no reason to not allow the transfer to go through. Mr. Clemens asked for questions; there was no response. Mr. Clemens said the liquor permit request would stand as is.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Safety Committee
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MINUTES SERVICE COMMITTEE
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL

December 19, 2011

Members of Service Committee present: Doug Joseph, Nathan Burd, Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long.

Other members of Council present: Mel Clemens, Leslie Kelly, Council President William L. Hills. Councilman Fred Deskins, Jr. was absent.

Mr. Joseph: I'll call the Service Committee to order at 7:32. Second item is approval of the agenda; any additions, deletions, or changes tonight? Seeing none, the agenda will stand approved.

Item 3 - approval of the minutes of the Service Committee meeting for December 5, 2011; any additions, deletions, or changes to those minutes? Seeing none, those minutes stand approved.

Item 4 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FIFTEEN-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, GENERAL SERVICES DIVISION, OFFICE OF REAL ESTATE AND PLANNING, for and on behalf of the Ohio Department of Agriculture and the Ohio Department of Commerce FOR AN EASEMENT IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE INSTALLATION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, USE, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, REMOVAL, SERVICING AND IMPROVEMENT OF A CERTAIN UNDERGROUND SANITARY SEWER LINE UPON THE EASEMENT AREA- -first reading was on December 12, 2011. Any questions from Service Committee on this tonight? Council? Okay, I will then send this to Council for second reading. Is there a second? Second by Councilman Long. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries; thank you.

That was our last item in the Service Committee, so I will close the Service Committee at 7:34.

Service Committee

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

December 19, 2011

MINUTES FINANCE COMMITTEE

REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL

December 19, 2011

Members of Finance Committee present: Doug Joseph, Leslie Kelly, Mel Clemens. Councilman Fred Deskins, Jr. was absent.

Other members of Council present: Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long, Nathan Burd, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Joseph: I'll open the Finance Committee at 7:34. Second item is approval of the agenda; I have one addition tonight. We had distributed by the Auditor a request to authorize him to unappropriate \$950 from fund 110.545.5102, Auditor's Office Wages Staff; and reappropriate to account 110.593.5104, Clerk of Courts Wages Part Time. So I will add that as Item 5a; all in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye)

Okay, next is approval of the minutes for the Finance Committee meeting December 5, 2011. Any additions, deletions, or changes to those minutes tonight? Seeing none, that item stands approved.

Item 4, Authorize HSA payments for 2012. Mr. Harris.

City Auditor Harris: Thank you Chairman Joseph, members of Council. This is an authorization asking you to authorize me to pay the HSA payments in January; we have contracts with the FOP, the FOP/OLC, and the POBA to pay up to \$4000 for family coverage; \$2000, up to \$2000 for single coverage; this is per the current contract; for Chapter 160's employees, US Steel Workers Union workers, and elected officials, the amount is \$3500 for family coverage and \$1750 for single coverage. Monies for this are in the 2012 Interim Budget; this is just giving me the authority to pay; this expenditure does come to \$408,750 that we have to pay out in January for the contributions to the HSA accounts. Here again, this is not an appropriation; this is part of the appropriation ordinance that you're going to be talking about here in a little bit; and I do need a emergency on this because they have to be, the contract has to, these have to be paid the first week in January. Any questions, I'll be glad to do...and we've done this every year for the past three or four years.

Mr. Joseph: Any questions of the Finance Committee? Council? Okay. All right, I will make a motion we send this to our Council meeting tonight, after committee; is there a second? Second by...

Mr. Hills: With an emergency.

Mr. Joseph: With emergency; second by Councilman Clemens. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Motion carries, thank you.

Next item is Item 5, Discussion: Transfer of funds for City Engineer's wages. Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris: Thank you Chairman Joseph. This is brought about by the fact that we, last year in the appropriation ordinance, that we allocate the funds, the, a certain percentage of the payments to the engineer from the General Fund, which his department is in, to the departments where he is

actually doing work, which is basically the Street Department, the Water Department, the Waste Water Department, and the Storm Water Department, which is where most of the engineering services occur. What we do is we, this is originally in his department, which is a 110 department, and then as he does work, we allocate these funds out. This is not really an additional appropriation; what has happened is this year we had two things happen: first, Mr. Miller, who was the engineer at the beginning of the year is now the Service Director and that department went without a person in it for several months; the problem arose that we can't allocate enough money out of there because he didn't make enough money, because he was only here a much shorter period of time. This is strictly a thing for my bookkeeping to make these, I can't have all these minus appropriations out there for the allocation, because we're just not allowed to have 'em; so what this does is this transfer eliminates all these and it all comes out to zero. And I'll answer any questions on it, if anybody has any. Like I say, this is not an appropriation; this is just transferring money so that all these allocations that have to be made in the budget are going to be gone.

Mr. Joseph: Any questions of the Finance Committee? Council? Okay. All right, I'll make a motion we send this to the Council meeting tonight with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency; is there a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries, thank you.

Next is Item 5a, which is the ordinance we added at the approval of the agenda. Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris: Thank you Chairman Joseph. This is a request for Council to authorize me to unappropriate some money from 110.545.5102 and appropriate it to 110.593.5104; after the last payroll, we had a, there was an additional payment over in the Clerk of Courts office that we were not aware of and this money will allow those to come out within the appropriation, so here again this is just moving from one department to another, so there's no additional appropriation here.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. Any questions of the Finance Committee? Council? I'll make a motion we send this to the Council meeting tonight with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency. Is there a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye). Opposed. (No response) Motion carries. Thank you.

Item 6, Discussion: Appointment to West Licking Joint Fire District Board- -on 12-5-2011 item held for two weeks. We had discussion two weeks ago; we also had additional discussion pertaining to this and EMS billing last week. Wanted to make a few more comments about that. After the meeting, Chief Fulmer of West Licking did some additional research and he contacted both Carl Reedy of Med 3000, which is the vendor, which does the EMS billing work for, will be doing it for West Licking and they also confirmed that they are, in fact, the vendor for Truro and that they do EMS billing. Furthermore, Chief Fulmer instructed Assistant Chief Williams with the West Licking District, to talk to Truro and he spoke to Lt. Chuck Brooks, who is the EMS coordinator and he also confirmed Truro does EMS billing. So I just wanted to pass that on; I'm not sure why the information was relayed a little bit differently that they do not, cause that was also one of the reasons why we went with, West Licking went with Med 3000, because evidently Truro's had good success with it, with their EMS billings. So I just wanted to pass that on that that was, those investigations were conducted over the past week and I'll open it up for any questions for the Finance Committee tonight, if there's any questions on that. Council? President Hills.

Mr. Hills: I will certainly want to comment on that, Doug, and I'm not here to rehash our debates, but what you've just said is no different than what I said last week. Truro does use an entity to do EMS billings; Truro does not bill any Truro, Reynoldsburg resident, Reynoldsburg address, in those EMS billings. The fact that they do EMS billings, I said that last week; they just bill non-Reynoldsburg residents on the EMS billings, so you know, we can play ping pong for as long as we want on this. Truro, bottom line, Chief Fulmer, as he said, we will do everybody; therefore, Chief Fulmer picks up someone at a Reynoldsburg address, West Licking Fire District, their insurance company, if they have one, will be billed. Truro Township, they pick up someone with a Reynoldsburg address in Truro Township, they are not billed. That's as simple as it is; I mean, that's the facts of the matter; that's the only point I've tried to make.

Mr. Joseph: And the point I've made is that West Licking will be operating exactly the same way when it comes to EMS billing.

Mr. Hills: No, excuse me. Chief Fulmer said he's going to bill all residents.

Mr. Joseph: Not in West Licking.

Mr. Hills: I'm sorry, but he said he was billing all residents. I've looked at your notes and..I'm sorry?

Mr. Joseph: Insurance company, insurance companies outside the district.

Mr. Hills: That's all EMS billing does in Truro is insurance companies. Chief Fulmer brought up a new issue that I'm not so sure what the effect of is, Medicaid and Medicare; he will bill Medicaid and Medicare recipients three times and then write it off. That was a statement that's a whole secondary part of the issue. The bottom line, put in my simple-type terms, you get a better deal in Truro than you're getting in West Licking. All residents of Reynoldsburg, whether they be in Etna Township or in West Licking Fire District and Etna Township, they're paying for EMS service now; they're paying for fire service, of which EMS service comes with that. Now it will be people in the West Licking/Etna Township district, if they have insurance, their insurance companies will also be paying to West Licking for that same service. There's not much of a debate of the facts, and I'm not going to play semantics with you about who's billing what, Truro says they bill, the only trouble is they do not bill on anybody who has a Reynoldsburg mailing address. Where the things will come of issue later, is what's going to happen when West Licking comes in and picks up somebody on a back up in Truro, or Truro goes into Etna and picks up somebody - who's going to bill and who's not going to bill, and I don't know. I would have just hoped that Council and Administration of this city would have been more aware of what was going on before this was implemented and maybe these questions wouldn't be raised now. This program's going into effect 1-1-2012 and EMS billing is already in Truro Township; however, they do not bill Reynoldsburg residents in Truro Township, when Truro transports. They do not bill the insurance companies.

Mr. Joseph: What about outside Truro?

Mr. Hills: Outside...yes; if Brad McCloud is, somebody goes to his house and transports, he doesn't pay. If he's having a party and John Smith from Columbus is there and they transport John Smith? Yeah, they pay. Go check the minutes; these are statements I've made previously; this is nothin' new.

Mr. Joseph: And I didn't have any disagreement with that. That has not been..communicated...

Mr. Hills: When you're telling me West Licking is doing the same thing as Truro Township, Doug, the only thing that's similar is they're using the same people to bill for services. The difference is, Etna Township West Licking is billing for all transportation services to the insurance company; Truro Township is only billing for EMS services of transport to non-Reynoldsburg residents. That's the difference. The deal is better in Truro than it is in West Licking, but to strengthen your argument, I don't know if it needs any more strength, but Jefferson and Violet are both doing the same thing. So, I mean, it's just, I think we're very fortunate as Truro residents that our fire system and that fire department has looked at this and say we are able to cover that service at no additional cost from the taxes we get in now. I don't know if what your statement started here has made a difference from where the position was from last week. I don't see anything new.

Mr. Joseph: I just wanted to report to Council this additional information was forwarded to me. Are there any questions, other questions from Council? I also distributed copies of the minutes and links to those minutes; any questions on any of those documents that were distributed? Okay.

Mr. Hills: Well, the minutes weren't attached; and I don't want to debate any more, but your email's wrong; the 2011 minutes aren't attached; if you all want to go see them, you have to go to the 2011 agendas and look for the draft minutes that are in the agendas. The others weren't attached to it, but it's out there somewhere, okay? But it wasn't as you submitted it; you can dig for them and find them.

Mr. Joseph: They were not attached?

Mr. Hills: I think, probably the best thing for you to do here is to go ahead and appoint yourself to there and see if you got a vote and go for it. I had not even planned to even speak to it tonight until you decided to bring it up, but..

Mr. Joseph: Okay. If there's not any additional questions, the item here is to make the appointment to the West Licking Joint Fire District Board, and I had indicated several weeks ago, I'd like to continue as the representative, if Council would like to appoint me, so I will make a motion to send my name forward for this appointment. Is there a second?

Mr. Clemens: First, could I ask a question?

Mr. Joseph: Sure.

Mr. Clemens: I haven't been contacted by anybody else. Is anybody else interested in this? (No response) I'll second it.

Mr. Joseph: Second by Councilman Clemens. Any further comment or discussion? All in favor,

please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries. Thank you.

Item 7, Council appointment to Design Review Board to fill unexpired term that ends December 2014- -*on 12-5-2011 item held for two weeks.* Mr. Patrick Thompson held this position; he has resigned effective the end of the month. I've not yet got any kind of indication that we have a citizen interested in the position, so we will continue to hold this open; anyone that is interested in serving on this board, please contact the Clerk of Council, and we'll hold this until the first committee meeting in January.

Item 8 - ORDINANCE TO MAKE AN INTERIM APPROPRIATION FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -*-read for the second time 12-12-2011.* Any questions or comments from the Finance Committee on this tonight? Council? Mayor, you have anything additional?

Mayor McCloud: Nothing additional.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. If there isn't any comments or questions, I'll make a motion we send this to Council tonight with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency; is there a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries.

Item 9 - ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Subsection (a) of Section 953.01 "Water Rate Schedule" OF CHAPTER 953 WATER CHARGES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -*-read for the second time 12-12-11.* Any questions or comments from the Finance Committee on this tonight? Council? Okay. I'll make a motion we send this on to Council tonight with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency; is there a second? Second by Councilwoman Kelly. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries. Thank you.

Item 10 - ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Subsection (c) of Section 945.02 "Rate Schedule" OF CHAPTER 945 SEWER CHARGES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -*-read for the second time 12-12-11.* Any questions from the Finance Committee or comments on this tonight? Council? I'll make a motion then we send this to Council tonight with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency; is there a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries.

Item 11 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT FOR HEALTH SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY- -*-read for the second time 12-12-11.* Any questions or comments from the Finance Committee tonight on this item? Council? Okay, I'll make a motion we send this to the Council meeting tonight with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency; is there a second? Second by Councilwoman Kelly. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries.

And our last item tonight in Finance, Item 12 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR CITY INSURANCE- -*-second reading 12-12-11.* Any questions or comments from the Finance Committee tonight? Council? I'll make a motion we send this to the Council meeting tonight with a recommendation for adoption, for third reading; is

there a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. All in favor, please say "Aye". (All voted Aye) Opposed. (No response) Motion carries.

That was the last item; I will close the Finance Committee at 7:52.

Finance Committee

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

December 19, 2011