COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 1, 2010

Members of Community Development Committee present: Leslie Kelly, Barth R. Cotner, Chris Long, Nathan Burd.

Other members of Council present: Fred Deskins, Jr., Doug Joseph, Mel Clemens, Council President William L. Hills.

Mrs. Kelly: I'll call the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The first order of business is the approval of the agenda. Are there any questions, changes or deletions? Hearing none, it will stand approved.

The next order of business is approval of the minutes of the Community Development Committee Meeting held October 4, 2010. Are there any changes, deletions? Hearing none, they will stand as written.

Item No. 4 - Discussion: Authorization to advertise for bids - Senior Center Roof Replacement. Mr. Shamblin.

Parks and Recreation Director Shamblin: Thank you, Madam Chairwoman. This evening I bring forward the request for authorization to advertise for bids to replace the Senior Center roof. If you remember in 2008, we advertised this twice, both times we threw out the bids because they didn't, once they weren't filled out properly, and once it was after the hurricane and they were excessively high. So this, the funding for this has already been appropriated and is in the Maintenance Budget of the Senior Center.

Mrs. Kelly: Are there any questions for Mr. Shamblin? Councilman Long.

Mr. Long: Jason, you're planning on once the bids are received, actually replacing the roof next Spring?

Mr. Shamblin: Well, it will depend on the weather this winter, so.

Mr. Long: Okay.

Mrs. Kelly: Any other questions? Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Is this the first roof over..

Mr. Shamblin: This is the, the original roof is on it. So that's been on since 1987.

Mr. Clemens: (inaudible).

Mr. Shamblin: Yes.

Mr. Joseph: What's your projections on how long this one would last? I mean this one's been here for twenty-some years. I mean, are we going to be using materials that are higher quality, that will get a longer, you know, lasting roof, so that we don't have to go through this again at some point?

Mr. Shamblin: We spec'd a thirty-year shingle. So hopefully, it would last longer.

Mr. Joseph: And when this was bid last time, you said they came in high. What did they come in at when you said they came in too high?

Mr. Shamblin: I think they averaged out over $30,000. I don't know off the top of my head. It's because it was hurricane, was it Ike? It came in right after that, so all of the roofing contractors were busy with insurance work and it wasn't......

Mr. Joseph: What's your plan if they come in too high again or you don't get any bids for this amount?

Mr. Shamblin: We'll have to cross that bridge when we get there. The, I've had several roofing contractors out this year to look at the bids, er, the roof and I feel pretty comfortable with the amount that we have budgeted. We should be able to get the work done.

Mr. Joseph: And this was in the budget for this year?

Mr. Shamblin: Yes.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, thanks.

Mrs. Kelly: Okay, any other questions? Okay, seeing none, I would like to move to send this forward to Council for its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Long. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response).

Mr. Hills: Mrs. Kelly, it's just a Motion with one single reading.

Mrs. Kelly: A Motion with one reading to approve it.

Mr. Hills: So you send it forward for....

Mrs. Kelly: Send it forward for approval, thank you. Seconded by Mr. Long. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Okay, and with that, I will close the Community Development Committee at 7:34 p.m.

Community Development Committee

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

November 1, 2010 (Transcribed - S. Cochran, Ass't. Clk. of Council)

SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 1, 2010

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

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

Mr. Joseph: I'll open the Service Committee at 7:34 p.m. Second item is the approval of agenda. I'd like to make one change tonight. I would, we've had some things in Other Legislation pertaining to the Code Compliance; it's been there for a while. If we need to, we can always bring this back as a discussion item. So I'll make a motion that we take this off our agenda. Is there a second? Seconded by Mr. Burd. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Thank you.

Item No 3 is approval of the minutes of the Service Committee meeting held June 21, 2010. Are there any additions, deletions or changes to those minutes? Seeing none, they'll stand approved.

Item No. 4 - Discussion: Authorize participation - Watershed Planning Partnership - Big Walnut Creek.

Planning Administrator Hansen: Hi, Matt Hansen, Planning Administrator. As I summarized in the memo I provided to you, this is an acknowledgment of participation in a multi-jurisdictional planning study. It's being organized by the Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission. Since the city is within the watershed of the Big Walnut Creek, we're forming a partnership with these other forty-three communities and coming up with a simple development and conservation plan that will be implemented two years from now. The implementation deadline is June 2012. We'll be coming up with planning recommendations as the city chooses to participate and the idea in this Planning Study is that once a plan is adopted by an individual community, there'll be incentives available from State grants to allow the city to apply for these various grants for trail construction, those types of items, and the city will score higher on those grants because of participation in this plan effort.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. You say forty-three communities, is that primarily Franklin County or does that extend well beyond that limit?

Mr. Hansen: It extends all the way north up to Morrow County. There's a variety of communities from urban to rural.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, do you happen to know if any of the county soil and water conservation districts are involved with this particular effort?

Mr. Hansen: There's some other entities involved. I'm not sure of those specific entities. I know Franklin County Soil was present at one of our meetings.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, because I know that's, it seems to be right up their aisle, some of the things they've worked on. They bring resources to the table too.

Mr. Hansen: Right.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, any questions from members of the Committee, from Council? Okay, yeah.

Mr. Hills: The resolution, I assume it's just going to go, there's no big rush on this passing as an emergency is there on a resolution?

Mr. Hansen: No, they just asked that we have a resolution before the end of November.

Mr. Hills: But what my concern was, if we have, if the Mayor had the opportunity to look over their draft of the resolution, and has our City Attorney looked over their...

Mr. Hansen: Okay.

Mr. Hills: Just the memory of when we were thinking about getting one of these, and it was you couldn't cut grass within twenty feet of a creek, and I'm not sure we want to go that route without knowing we're going there.

Mr. Hansen: Well, this is no adoption of implementation at this time so....

Mr. Hills: I realize that, but this is all, we're going to sit down and talk, so once we sit down and talk, it's harder to get out of where you didn't want to be. So all I'm asking, I think it's a good idea that both the Mayor and the City Attorney have looked over the......

Mr. Joseph: So you want us to hold for two weeks?

Mr. Hills: Oh, I don't know that it needs to be held, no.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Hills: But I just think as it comes back up to us, we ought to let everybody see if they're on board with it.

Mr. Joseph: This is a resolution, it wouldn't be coming back.

Mr. Hills: This is the resolution that wasn't prepared by us.

Mr. Joseph: Right.

Mr. Hills: It wasn't prepared by us.

Mr. Joseph: This doesn't require three readings does it? I don't think it does.

Mr. Hills: It's a resolution; it's a three reading unless you waive it, yeah.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, all right.

Mr. Hills: It's, just a Motion is the only thing you can go forward with one reading.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, all right.

Mr. Hills: The resolution will read three unless an emergency is added and all I'm suggesting is that let's be sure that the Mayor and the City Attorney are signing off on what it is we're being asked to authorize them to enter into.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. Have you sent it to them yet?

Mr. Hansen: We will, yep.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. Any other questions? All right, I'll make a motion we send this to Council for its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Long. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion carries, thank you.

Item No. 5 - Discussion: Authorize Master Agreement to provide services - electric aggregation - Firstenergy Solutions.

Development Director Haire: Thank you, Chairman Joseph, Council members. The legislation we bring before you this evening is to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Firstenergy Solutions Corporation to provide an electric aggregation program for the city. Some of you have been involved in the past with gas aggregation programs that the city has approved on behalf of its residents and this would be a similar program. The residents of Reynoldsburg authorized the city to act as an electric aggregation community at the General Election in November of 2001, but this would be the first time that we've had a competitive bid from an outside supplier to supply electric aggregation in the community. So this would be a first for electric. Like I mentioned, we'd done gas in the past. The basic outline of this program is it would provide for a 5% discount on the generation service of a customer's bill, or a residential customer's bill in the City of Reynoldsburg, and it would provide a 15% discount on the generation service for small commercial users. The term of this contract would be for two years and it would be an opt-out program where an opt-out notice is mailed to residents and businesses in the community. They have twenty-one days to send back a post card stating that they do not want to be part of the program or they'll automatically be enrolled and once that twenty-one day period's over, there'll be another seven day period that they're notified by AEP that they again are being switched and they'll have an opportunity to say 'no, I don't want to be switched' at that time as well, but this program would go until December of 2012, and with me tonight is Brenda Fargo from Firstenergy Solutions, and Terry Leach with AMPO Inc. who is our consultant on aggregation matters for the city, and they're also available to answer any questions that you all might have.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. I've got a couple of questions. On the gas program, when did that go into effect, the gas program?

Mr. Haire: The gas program originally went into effect in 2002 and there was a number of contracts in between.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Haire: The gas aggregation program ended as of January, as of December 31st.....

Mr. Joseph: Right.

Mr. Haire: ....2009. So we haven't had a program this year.

Mr. Joseph: Now was that the same way, that was an opt-out as well?

Mr. Haire: Yes, they were both opt-out programs and that's, we have a, basically a plan of governance that was adopted by City Council and that was last amended, I believe, in 2004 and in that plan of governance it talks about the opt-out procedures and how all this is done and that was also put in the ballot issue.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Haire: It's required under the Ohio law that you do, if you're going to do an opt-out program, that you go before the voters.

Mr. Joseph: And was that a similar savings for that program?

Mr. Haire: The gas program?

Mr. Joseph: Yeah.

Mr. Haire: It was a guaranteed savings off, it wasn't a percentage.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, off...

Mr. Hills: It was a guaranteed percent, I think it was 3%, wasn't it?

Mr. Haire: It was $.035 cents.

Mr. Hills: It was $.035 cents less than the MCF....

Mr. Haire: Right, so it wasn't a percentage savings.

Mr. Hills: Okay.
Mr. Joseph: Did the city get a benefit like is proposed with this program of $10? The city do anything with that one?

Mr. Hills: Huh-ah.

Mr. Haire: No.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. The termination fee $10 - $25, that's only if they decide to terminate after the opt-out period is expired, correct?

Mr. Haire: Only if they've, the opt-out period's past, they've been enrolled as a customer, if they decide they don't want to continue to save and be part of the program, then they'll be charged a termination fee for terminating.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, but there's no termination fee, or no fee to not participate, in the first place, correct?

Mr. Haire: No.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Haire: No, and the termination fee is $10 for residential customers, and $25 for commercial customers.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, and in your memo, it also says the city can choose to use the community grant money for any purpose that it deems appropriate. How's that going to be handled? I didn't see anything referred to that in the material. What would be your proposed use for it? Something for development?

Mr. Haire: I don't know that we've proposed any type of use for that money, it's just, you know, it's a community grant to be used at the discretion of, you know, City Council.

Mr. Joseph: Would it still be, would it have to be within the confines of something particular the city might want?

Mr. Haire: It could be used for anything; any purposes that were deemed appropriate.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Hills: I think it's just other income into the city, Doug.

Mr. Joseph: Okay. Any questions from Committee, yeah, go ahead, Leslie.

Mrs. Kelly: Oh, I'm sorry I'm not on your Committee.

Mr. Joseph: No one raised their hand so go ahead.

Mrs. Kelly: Okay. This may seem like a silly question, but I didn't see the answer in any of this. If the residents go with Firstenergy Group and the electricity goes out, do they still call AEP and say 'the electricity's out'?

Mr. Haire: Yes. How this program works is that AEP will still have the transmission responsibilities so they'll still be transporting power through the lines they own. They'll still have the meters. So AEP's still going to come and read your meter. The bill you get at your home is still going to say AEP on it.

Mrs. Kelly: Okay.

Mr. Haire: It will just have another section, so the transmission portion is still AEP's responsibility. You'd still call them if the power's out, but the generation portion, the energy that's sold through those lines would be coming from Firstenergy...

Mrs. Kelly: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Haire: ....but it'd be convenient and just like the gas program, it would all be on one bill. It'd just be a separate breakout saying this portion of your bill is for generation services and going to Firstenergy Solutions.

Mrs. Kelly: So AEP would administer that portion of it. They would send that money to Firstenergy.

Mr. Haire: Correct.

Mrs. Kelly: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Joseph: Yes, President Hills.

Mr. Hills: If I could, maybe I can clarify something, because I was here, I think, when the gas went on. A couple things, this gas was $.035 per MCF, less than what Columbia was charging on that market rate. This is 5% less than the generation cost of electric.

Mr. Haire: Right, they call it the price to compare.

Mr. Hills: Right. Basically it's what the raw product costs; so if it's a dollar, you're paying, $.50 of it is what it costs to manufacture. Your 5% is going to come off the $.50, but you're always going to pay less in this program than a person who has opted out and continuing to get electric from AEP is going to pay, because that's what the contract's about. Now, the reason we didn't see active electric a few years ago, once you get in and look at the details, is AEP was under some rate freezes and there wasn't anybody could bring in electric at a cheaper price than what they were mandated by the PUCO to sell it for. Firstenergy's been a provider in the north/northeast United States, and northern part of Ohio, for a number of years and under this new electric re-, I call it electric re-regulation because it's when let's go back and do this again because the other one didn't work; there's ________providers, there's people to be more competitive and I think this is Firstenergy's way to say, now we're going to move into Central Ohio and establish some sort of market because bottom line, they can generate electric at a lesser cost than they feel that AEP can. So that's how, that's how this is going but, it is a no loss to the consumer the same as the gas was on Columbia Gas. Now the problem with Columbia Gas, if people, because I've heard a couple different people on how it went away. It only went away because of a depreciating sales market in natural gas. The contract wasn't going to be entered into again because the provider wasn't going to offer it to us because they were losing money and tell me if I'm wrong on that, if somebody knows why, because we didn't terminate the contract we had with Columbia Gas. It just wasn't offered again. I think maybe our ________person may be the only one who has the answer to that.

Mr. Haire: Our contract with IGS, they eliminated the program because.........

Mr. Hills: Because they weren't making any money.

Mr. Haire: They couldn't offer us a guaranteed savings.

Mr. Hills: Right. They, okay, they no longer offered a guaranteed savings and then you're at risk, you're backing a risk factor where some people at Columbia Gas are paying quite a bit more who went out with a secondary provider than what Columbia's currently charging but as long as it's, this is structured as IGS with Columbia was, it is a guarantee, as long as you don't opt out, you're always going to pay less than the person buying that same electric from AEP.

Mr. Haire: Yeah, it's a guaranteed percentage savings.

Mr. Hills: Right.

Mr. Haire: So you're guaranteed to save a certain percent.

Mr. Hills: It's all on your total bill. It's just, it doesn't cost what it took to get it here but the manufacturing of it________

Mr. Haire: I don't know what, is the generation portion, is that typically 50% - 60%? About 50% of your bill so you'll save about 5% on 50% of your bill. That's the generation portion of your bill.

Mr. Hills: ....and Doug, the question I think on the Community Grant, I haven't seen or heard about that one before....

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Hills: ....but I guess they want to come in the market pretty bad.
Mr. Joseph: Okay. Going back to the gas program, did we get a lot of people opting out of that one? Do you know?

Mr. Haire: I don't know initially when that happened and maybe Terry could better answer that. There was you know, we have, we only had about 5,000 participants in the program, but we didn't offer a new opt-out program for a number of years prior to that program ending, so.

Mr. Leach: That is correct. Typically, when you offer a new program, as was the case with the gas that you get, generally around 15% - 20% of the eligible people do opt out. Now, the one thing you have to keep in mind, on the gas side, not everybody's eligible, because there's some constraints - if you're getting assistance with the Government paying your utility bills, if you're behind in your utility bills, you know, you're not eligible but the gas program you know, until, because of the restructuring of Columbia Gas and Columbia Gas deciding that they no longer wanted to be in the retail gas business and they went to an auction format last year. Okay the marketers and not just IGS, but none of the marketers could no longer offer a guaranteed discount which is the program that Reynoldsburg had and quite frankly, it was the only guaranteed discount program in Central Ohio in the gas marketing side. Now, you know, we really haven't cancelled your gas program. I represent you there as well. We have it suspended right now, because with the auction price the way it was for this year, we couldn't compete, but there will be another auction in January that will set the auction price starting in April of next year and based on where that auction's set, we might be able to come back here and you know, in February or March and say 'hey, based on where the auction is, we can come back with a marketer' and it doesn't necessarily have to be IGS you know that can offer you a guaranteed discount, but this program, this electric program and Mr. President, you said it exactly right, this would be the first Central Ohio an AEP territory program, that Firstenergy Solutions has come into from an aggregation perspective, you know, to be the supplier, and this is a really good deal because it is, you know, a can't-lose program because during the opt-out period, you know, the 21 days, you can say no. There's no penalty there. Then you get another seven day, what's called a rescind period, because when we tell AEP that, you know, we're getting ready to switch you, you know, your supplier to FES, they're going to send a letter to the customers and they're going to say 'did you really want this to happen?'. So really, they've got 28 days, two times, to make a decision. It is exactly the same way that the gas program works, but you know, the residential participants are going to get, you know, whatever that price to beat is that AEP sets, they will get 5% off of that and your small commercials will get 15% off of that. So, you know, it's a win-win situation. It's a win-win situation for the city as well, because Firstenergy Solutions, as they have done with a number of my other clients throughout their territory, has offered an incentive, you know, of $10 per participant, and that's the reason why the $10 cancellation fee exists for people after the opt-out period, because basically, they're giving the city $10 and they're saying, okay, if somebody decides they don't want to participate, we really kind of want our $10 back. So that's why that fee is $10 and $10 so...

Mr. Joseph: Was there a termination fee for the gas program?

Mr. Leach: There was no termination fee for the gas program.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Leach: Now, there are many, many gas programs that do have a termination fee, but we had negotiated that out. As a matter of fact, Brenda, correct me if I'm wrong, I believe when we started this program we were at a $25 cancellation fee, which is what the norm is for the electric program and we were able to get Firstenergy Solutions to reduce it to $10 for this program because, quite frankly, you know, I don't have any real tie with Brenda other than she's my supplier. They're really hungry to come into AEP territory. So you guys have got the advantage of it.

Mr. Joseph: Okay.

Mr. Deskins: I have a question, Doug.

Mr. Joseph: Yes.

Mr. Deskins: That brings up a point for me. Firstenergy evidently is the lowest bidder right now or to our system. What happens if one of the 7 or 8 other vendors that's in the same business as Firstenergy go below that profit that we're getting in Reynoldsburg? What do you do there?

Mr. Leach: Okay, I'm going to address that in two ways. Okay, first of all, number one, Firstenergy Solutions is the only game in town. There are not any alternative suppliers that are willing to come into AEP territory and offer a program. So right now, they are the only game in town, but that doesn't mean that they would be the only game in town in three months or two months or.....

Mr. Deskins: ______ wholesales businesses, it's not residential, that is the case right now.

Mr. Leach: Well, the choice that those businesses have is if somebody comes, okay, now, you know, at the industrial level, you know, the industrial utilities, they do give industrial customers different discount structures and different rate structures, okay, but those customers, those folks aren't eligible for this program anyway. These are small businesses, okay, from an aggregation perspective, Firstenergy Solutions is the only game in town, but if there was somebody else, they have the option to say, you know, I want to go to a different deal. The penalty there is $25. It's a small penalty to say I don't want to be in it and quite frankly, in this particular program, Firstenergy Solutions is taking all the risk. You know, the city's not taking any and quite frankly, neither is AMPO. They're taking all the risk by hedging, you know, power for this group of people not really knowing since it is the first program in this territory what the results are going to be.

Mr. Deskins: You're with AMPOhio?

Mr. Leach: Yes, Sir.

Mr. Deskins: What's your, what's you connection with Firstenergy and us?
Mr. Leach: My connection with the City of Reynoldsburg is I'm your consultant for your aggregation programs, be it gas, be it electric. It's my responsibility to make sure that the city is qualified through the Public Utilities Commission. I advise your Development Director as to, you know, and the Mayor as to, you know, what direction they should take. We complete all the administrative work for you. My tie to Firstenergy Solutions is they are a supplier of the product. It's my responsibility to go out to the suppliers and try to get the city and the city's residents the best deal.

Mr. Deskins: And Firstenergy's the only_________

Mr. Leach: Firstenergy right now is the only deal, but I will tell you this is a good deal. Now, reverting back........

Mr. Deskins: I've read it. It is a good deal.

Mr. Leach: Now reverting back to the gas side, you know, I've got, you know, six or seven different suppliers that I can, you know, work with. So that's my role and that's how we're tied.

Mr. Deskins: Thank you.

Mr. Leach: You're welcome.

Mr. Joseph: Yes, President Hills.

Mr. Hills: If I could clarify just a couple things. In the opt-out letter, all of the communications, and I want the AMPO people to hear this, all, looking at this contract and the attachments to it, the communications that the citizens of Reynoldsburg will get regarding this program, besides read it in the press, are going to be incurred, not the cost of Reynoldsburg, but Firstenergy, the ____ provider will provide the opt-out letter to all of the customers.

Mr. Leach: That is absolutely correct.

Mr. Hills: And therefore, they're not going to get the letter from Reynoldsburg. It may be that Reynoldsburg has retained them or whatever, but I mean they're going to do the mailing of the letter and then also their call center to handle informational calls and if we go this far, we want to be sure that, because I know we were inundated at the city on Columbia Gas calls, so that call center needs to be in conjunction with the city so we all know, the left hand knows what the right hand's doing.

Mr. Leach: Yeah, and I would, Mr. President, play out one thing. Okay, first of all, the letters will be mailed, okay, they will be created, you know, at the expense of Firstenergy Solutions, whoever we work with, as your consultant, ___ to see the letter, see what it says before it goes out. We'll give the, Mr. Haire here the opportunity to see them as well but I don't want you to think that these folks don't recognize that this is a Reynoldsburg City aggregation program because that will be identified in the letter that, you know, this is an aggregation program with the City of Reynoldsburg with Firstenergy Solutions as your provider. Now, I'm not, you know, won't try to kid you. Irregardless of what we do, you know, and how many times we put in that information that, you know, call this number, call this number, the City's going to get some calls. There's just no way around it. The city will get some calls.

Mr. Hills: ....and that's important. They will get calls.

Mr. Leach: Yes, they will get some calls.

Mr. Hills: ....because they know people work in the city and that's, as you get the information and Luke gets the information, there's two other key players, I think, it's the Mayor and the City Attorney. They need to be kept abreast. I know Luke will be doing that.

Mr. Leach: Absolutely.

Mr. Hills: ....but, and it's more just so that we're all saying the same thing in how questions are answered.

Mr. Leach: Correct.

Mr. Hills: Rather than creating confusion for the customers, because that's where some of it was in the gas, was that it just, it's helpful if everybody knows what's being said and what the answer is to it. The second question I have and PIPPS and you all will know PIPPS and most people won't. Bottom line is if customers, electric customers are having difficulty paying their bills, bandaided by the PUCO, it goes from the PUCO to the Department of Development and everybody helps them pay their bills. Now what if a customer who is an opt-in and is getting a discount converts to a PIPP program where he's not paying dollar for dollar for his electric anyway, are they pulled out of this program and that's done, nothing that we have to do.......

Mr. Leach: That's right.

Mr. Hills: That's going to be done between AEP, Firstenergy and you all because it's just, there's big money as you both know in that program. That's a.........

Mr. Leach: PIPP participants are not eligible for your aggregation program.

Mr. Hills: Thank you and there's no way they'll be able to sign up for this. They should not be able to derive that benefit. All right, all right, thank you.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, any other questions? Okay.

Mr. Leach: Thank you very much_______

Mr. Joseph: Okay, unless there's additional questions or comments, I'll make a motion we send this to Council for first reading. Seconded by Mr. Burd. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion carries. That was our last item. I will close the Service Committee at 7:59 p.m.

Service Committee

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

November 1, 2010 (Transcribed - S. Cochran, Ass't. Clk. of Council)

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 1, 2010

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

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

Mr. Deskins: I will open the Finance Committee at 8:00 p.m. First thing on the agenda this evening is the agenda. I have an addition I want to put on the agenda this evening. The 2011 Budget comments from the Mayor. Seconded by Mrs. Kelly. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response).

Next is Item No. 3, Approval of the minutes from our Finance Meeting held October 18, 2010. Hearing no changes, the minutes will stand as written.

The next is Item No. 3a, Mayor Brad. First of all, I want to thank you for putting the budget in our packets this Friday, as you promised, and hope you got some good news for us down the road.

Mayor McCloud: I don't know if I have good news or not Chairman Deskins. You do have the first evolution of the budget for next year. It is a work in progress. It is a start. You probably have noticed, I started making some notations on this before the copies were made, my fault, but that kind of points out that this is very much a work in progress. So, I will be, continue to be working with the City Auditor and the City Attorney as well as all of you during the course of this process. So it is a working draft and you will see more of it, and more of me again in the next few weeks.

Mr. Deskins: Mayor, thank you very much. Is there any questions from any of the Committee, or Council for the Mayor? Thank you very much, appreciate your comments.

Item No. 4 - Discussion: Water rate increase 2011. Mark Kipp. The man with bad news. Mark, you can go ahead and talk about both the water and the sewer, if you will please.

Water/Waste Water Supt. Kipp: Okay. I'll start with the water rate increase. We sit down with Joni and Dick; we do the proformas that are attached to see where we're at each year so we can keep an adequate balance in our Water and Sewer funds. On the water, requesting an ordinance authorizing an increased water rate from $5.13 per 1,000/gallons to $5.59 per 1,000/gallons. It's a 9% increase, which is an additional ½ % over the 7.5% rate increase from the City of Columbus; and then I'll just talk about the Sewer and we can look at the comparisons of the other communities.

Mr. Deskins: Mark, you're raising this 1.5% more than Columbus raised theirs, for what reason?

Mr. Kipp: Operating costs for, a lot of it has to do with debt service where we've had no new building in the past three years. We still have our debt to pay and we used to get, on an average year, we would get $300,000 in capacity fees, up to $600,000 - $700,000 some years. So a lot of years, we subsidized our water rates with our capacity fees. Now that we have no capacity fees, we have to also pay all of our debt from our Water Fund.

On the Sewer, requesting an ordinance authorizing the increased Sewer rates from $5.80 per 1,000/gallons to $6.23 per 1,000/gallons. This is just 1/4% increase over the 6% from the City of Columbus. We're now paying all of our debt service out of the Sewer Fund instead of the Sewer Capacity Fund. Now this fund was in a lot better shape than our Water Fund is. I've provided a comparison of rates for surrounding communities. This is just a rate comparison based on showing what the rates were in 2010 and what they are in 2011 and this comparison's based on 3,000 cubic feet or 22,400 gallons per quarter and that's what Columbus uses as an average usage per quarter. While our rates are going up, so's everybody else's and we're still just a little bit more than the ____ outside the City of Columbus. Inside rates for Columbus is the rate that they charge Columbus residents. The outside rates is the rate that they charge all the other communities that buy water from Columbus that aren't master metered which is a 30% more than what they charge and then those other communities have to charge additional on that for their own programs that they have within the city that they have to pay for. So they charge additional for that. Those cities are like Grove City, Hilliard, Upper Arlington and Dublin. Gahanna and Bexley are master metered communities like we are where they buy their water and sewer from Columbus and maintain their own systems. The average bill will go from 22,400 gallons per quarter in 2010 of $246.40 per quarter will go up to $264.77 per quarter which is a $6.12 per month increase in water and sewer rates for the average resident and the overall when you combine the two increases, it's a 7 ½%....

Mr. Deskins: Mark you've got some, you and I talked already but you might share with the rest of us, you've got some water lines that are......

Mr. Kipp: We're looking at, with business being down, not our business, but contract business being down, we've got four water mains that need bid out ________ in the Spring on the CIP which we have to, which we've just calculated in there. We don't have approval yet but we've allowed for in our proforma and like one of the streets is Pickering. Since 1993, we've had seventeen water breaks on that one stretch of line. On Lucks this year, in a week's period, we've repaired, we've put on ten repair clamps on two sections of line; it just kept popping. So we're looking at trying to replace some of these lines that are our biggest, where we have main breaks every year, so...

Mr. Deskins: Some of these water lines go back to 1950.

Mr. Kipp: These are, of course we're looking at all in Huber, all built between 1950 and 1960.

Mr. Deskins: Is there any questions from the Committee? Council Lady Kelly.

Mrs. Kelly: Yes, can you help me understand when I look at the water and sewer rate comparison page you gave us, at the bottom, I see where it says a 7 ½% overall increase in water and sewer bill - can you help me understand where this 7 ½, I see the 9% increase, water increase and the 6.25 sewer increase. I don't understand how that equals 7 ½% overall.

Mr. Kipp: For the, if you take the $246.40 to the $264.77, when you add them both, that's a 7 ½% increase for water and sewer totaled. So one water costs............

City Auditor Harris: Water and Sewer aren't the same price.

Mrs. Kelly: Correct.

Mr. Kipp: So the...........

Mr. Harris: Sewer's more expensive.

Mr. Kipp: Sewer's more expensive. It's going....

Mr. Harris: It's going up the least amount.

Mr. Kipp: ....and it's going up 6%.

Mr. Deskins: But the two are combined.....

Mr. Kipp: The two are combined when I gave you the total quarterly bill.

Mrs. Kelly: Uh-hum.

Mr. Kipp: So when you look at one, it's a 9% increase.

Mrs. Kelly: Right.

Mr. Kipp: The other was a 6% increase but since they're different....

Mrs. Kelly: Prices.

Mr. Kipp: I may have made a mistake, but I'm not sure.

Mrs. Kelly: No, no. I'm not challenging your.......

Mr. Kipp: .....but that' when I say, when I say an overall increase; so when you look at the bill and you take the two together.......

Mrs. Kelly: Okay.

Mr. Kipp: ...it's a 7 ½% increase.

Mrs. Kelly: Okay, and then on your, the Water Fund budget for 2010, it has a fund balance of $1,208,944 and in 2013 fund balance of $1,197,604. Is that with the increase calculated or without the increase calculated?
Mr. Kipp: Those are with the increases calculated. That's what we come up with.

Mr. Harris: Future increases calculated, potential increases calculated.

Mrs. Kelly: Do you have it on here, what it would, or maybe Dick you know, if we did not, if we just increased it to what Columbus increased it and we didn't add the extra 1 ½%........

Mr. Kipp: I can get those for you.

Mrs. Kelly: ....what the fund balance would end up being?

Mr. Kipp: When we sat down to do these, we did a number of different scenarios and yes, when you only increase it what we increased Columbus, then that balance drops.

Mrs. Kelly: Do we know what it drops to, by chance?

Mr. Kipp: Not off my mind, no.

Mrs. Kelly: Okay.

Mr. Kipp: But I can get it for you. I mean, it's just a matter of putting, we ran those different scenarios. We tried to keep, as you'll see, as you see there, what we're looking at is trying to keep at least a $1,000,000 balance which may sound like a lot but it's only about three months so it's not a lot of money and the same thing with the sewer. We got a little more money in the sewer right now but we're also paying cash for our Sanitary Sewer evaluation study and we built that fund up so that we could do that.

Mrs. Kelly: Okay. I'd like to see those numbers if I could.

Mr. Kipp: Sure, no problem.

Mrs. Kelly: Thank you.

Mr. Deskins: You also might add, if you're going to look at those numbers, you might add what you spent last year on sewer repair and water line repair and all that to offset.......

Mr. Kipp: It's all in my...........

Mr. Harris: It's all in there.

Mr. Kipp: Yes, it's in the budget..

Mr. Deskins: President Hills.

Mr. Hills: The question I have and it's just one that I think all of you have heard our constituents complain, this chart regardless of what the increase is or isn't, this chart indicates that Reynoldsburg is still one of the, is the lowest master metered in the community on both water and sewer. So when we hear everybody saying, it's cheaper somewhere else, it's cheaper in Arlington, it's cheaper in Bexley, it's not. They're paying more. Now the only difference is the Columbus outside which is a non-Columbus customer that's not master metered and they're, let me assure you, if you're not master metered, you're paying for a lot of live _________let me assure you.

Mr. Kipp: With a, like Columbus, an example of Columbus outside, is Whitehall and they pay for all their sewer maintenance and stuff out of their General Fund.....

Mr. Hills: Right....

Mr. Kipp: ....because they collect no monies..........

Mr. Hills: In order to pay for it.

Mr. Kipp: ....in order to pay for it. So for their fire hydrant maintenance, any, when they have to do a water line replacement, which is Columbus has come in and say, your lines broke so much, you have to pay for it. They have to pay for that out of their General Fund.

Mr. Hills: So the thing what I'm saying though is, I think this chart is an impressive chart. It shows that, is it too good of a deal? I don't think any of us want to charge residents any more than we need to charge them, but as Mark is saying, as your line progressively decreases, you better be open, you've got some money in the bank, or you end up going to the General Fund, the CIP, or whatever, to try to fix 'em. So it is good, but it is, I don't want to call it a bargain, but this chart is very informative and as the press looks at this, please read the chart, because we're going up, it's going up, Columbus is going up. In other words, we have to go up or we eat the cost. We're not in a position to eat the cost so we're passing it through, but I think it is informed and I think the press ought to look at the other cities that we still are providing the same services and are below what they charge for that service.

Mrs. Kelly: I have a question.

Mr. Deskins: Go ahead.

Mrs. Kelly: Looking at that chart that Mr. Hills brought up, everybody, I do see everybody going up. Do you have any idea or maybe it's just a mistake, why Gahanna would be going down?

Mr. Kipp: Okay, on the, you're not looking at the ....

Mr. Hills: There's a new revised...

Mr. Deskins: Nancy put it on your....
Mr. Kipp: It wasn't a, it's all right, it wasn't a mistake, originally told me. I get to, I talk to Gahanna all the time. They were going to decrease their sewer rates.......

Mrs. Kelly: Okay.

Mr. Kipp: _____didn't, wasn't passed. Didn't materialize and she called me and told me that they're holding the same sewer rate.

Mr. Hills: That's what was just laid at your place tonight, wasn't it?

Mrs. Kelly: I'm sure it's there.

Mr. Kipp: Okay.

Mrs. Kelly: Thank you.

Mr. Kipp: Uh huh.

Mr. Harris: I think the other thing that's important to realize, for Council to realize on this, Mark and his staff and they do a lot of work along with the City Engineer to continue to fix and upgrade the system because we don't want to get behind on the maintenance on this system because when you start coming in here and start digging up water lines and sewer lines and that kind of stuff, it gets very expensive and it's important that we keep enough money in here to pay for those as needed and to plan to maintain that system so that we don't get behind the eight ball and show up here and say 'oh, by the way, we need $5,000,000 to go fix a bunch of water lines and sewer lines' which I don't think you want to see that either.

Mr. Deskins: I think what was sort of shocking to me when we had our meeting and we somewhere down the road will address it, I'm hoping, when we get the extra money but we have what is the percentage again of the line loss, water loss?

Mr. Kipp: Well, I have to figure it out exactly but it also includes water main breaks and stuff like that but somewhere around 20%.

Mr. Deskins: Twenty percent, that you're buying, you're losing, you're not getting paid for.

Mr. Kipp: That's through meter loss, you know, and leaks.

Mr. Deskins: That's a big total.

Mr. Kipp: It also includes fire hydrant flushing, I mean there's a lot of stuff that goes in, that's what we don't bill for.

Mr. Deskins: In comparison, electricity is about, they say 8% - 10% line lose but actual current conversion of that is 2% but it's double what it is in water. Is there any other questions for Mark? Anybody from Council? Fellow Councilman Joseph.

Mr. Joseph: Thank you, Chairman. Looking at your list and this is good to have, but I notice some suburbs aren't on here, like Whitehall and Worthington and Westerville. Why are they not included?

Mr. Kipp: I just gave you a general..........

Mr. Joseph: Are they still more expensive than us?

Mr. Kipp: I could look. Whitehall's not. That's what I said, Whitehall falls on the Columbus outside and they pay for, if they're an outside community and they charge, that's what, I mean that's what they have to pay Columbus charges, so anything more or over that, otherwise they're paying for all their maintenance out of their ____ , I try to keep it generally comparative communities, like I said, they have the master metered communities, which are Gahanna and Bexley.

Mr. Joseph: Westerville's a comparable city, population and location-wise for where _____and I think they would be a good one to have on here.

Mr. Kipp: Well, Westerville has its own water.

Mr. Joseph: They have their own water system? Oh, okay.

Mr. Kipp: They have their own electric and stuff so yeah it's, I could get Pickerington. I used to have Pickerington and Southwest Licking on there. I could make a huge list.

Mr. Joseph: I understand that.

Mr. Kipp: So this seems to be a reasonable list.

Mr. Joseph: It might be useful to include communities or water districts that are neighbors like Pickerington and Southwest Licking.

Mr. Hills: Pickerington has their own water system too, or partially.

Mr. Kipp: Pickerington, and of course, Fairfield Township.

Mr. Joseph: I know Southwest Licking's very expensive so.

Mr. Kipp: Yeah.

Mr. Hills: They're generating their own, again, it's their water system, they're not, we're stuck, we're buying from Columbus and there's no, we don't have anybody else that wants to sell enough water to us, because I mean, so we're stuck there. The only difference we have is we're master metered, which shows that we're going to pay for all the water that comes through that meter.

Mr. Kipp: And then the Sewer and Water Advisory Board Meetings we go to but the biggest surprise I guess is that we got along, we knew the sewer was going to go up because of the Columbus ________. The EPA found them in improvements they have to make and, but the water, the new requirements on the EPA for water, meeting the new 2012 regulations are causing expansions at all the water plants and they're doing major expansion at __________and Dublin Road; they're doing some conversion, Parsons; they're building two upland reservoirs in Delaware County in order to meet the fifty year drought. So all these things are coming together to cause almost the same amount of increase in the water rates as the sewer rates. So they don't like it at all. There was a lot of agony this year at the meetings and they went up and down and up and then they leveled back off at different meetings.

Mr. Deskins: I think a lot of the customers are not aware, but if you use a lot of water outside, you're paying sewer rates on that unless you have the meter. You can save yourself a lot of money by having the extra meters. Is there any other questions from anyone else? Mark, thank you very much.

Mr. Kipp: Like I said, I'll get the information you requested.

Mrs. Kelly: Thank you.

Mr. Kipp: You're welcome.

Mr. Deskins: I'd like to make a motion to send this ordinance request to Council with recommendation for adoption as emergency, increasing the water rates from $5.15, I'm sorry, $5.13 per 1,000/gallon to $5.59 per 1,000/gallon effective January 1st, 2011.

Mr. Kipp: It can go three readings.

Mr. Clemens: Yeah.

Mr. Deskins: Can it?

Mr. Kipp: Yeah, it can go three readings; it just needs to pass so it's an emergency after the third reading.

Mr. Deskins: All right, great! Okay and I'd like to make a motion to send this ordinance as I spoke before, to Council for its first reading. Seconded by Mrs. Kelly. Any questions from the Committee, Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 5 - Sewer rate increase 2011. Next is I would like to make a motion to send this ordinance request to Council for its first read on the Sewer rates of $5.87 per 1,000/gallons upping them to $6.23 per 1,000/gallons effective January 1, 2011. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Any questions from the Committee, Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 6 - Discussion: Additional appropriation for Mechanic Budget. Pam.

Safety/Service Director Boratyn: Thank you, Chairman Deskins, members of Committee, Council. I've come to request on behalf of the Street Department that we put an additional $7,000 into the Mechanic's Fund and that is just to get us to the end of the year if it's needed, in case there are any other issues that come up, either Police Cruisers, or salt trucks, or any other automobiles that would need to be fixed between now and the end of the year. Larry provided you with a memo that explained what is occurring and the only reason we are asking that it be an emergency is because once he pays the latest bill on the transmission for a Police Cruiser, it's going to be down to $700 and if something were to happen, we'd either have to come back for the emergency, ask Council to come back and hold an emergency meeting to pass some more money to pay a bill. It would have to sit until you gave us authority because we couldn't send it out or make a repair without having the money. If it's not necessary and we're lucky and we can get through the end of the year and we don't have any breakdowns, it'll just go back to the General Fund.

Mr. Deskins: Thank you, Pam. Dick, you want to make any comments regarding this request?

Mr. Harris: This is the account that the Street Department uses to buy parts so this is not something where they're sending something to a local dealership. This is what they use to buy parts for all the vehicles that they, that are in the City Fleet, Police Cruisers, salt trucks, Mark's stuff in the Water and Sewer Department and the problem is as this fleet continues to get older, more and more repairs have to be done to keep these things going and they've had a couple large bills that's come in on this and that's why the necessity for the extra money's needed.

Mr. Deskins: Thank you for the input Dick. Is there any questions from the Committee, Council? Then I'd like to make a motion to send this legislation request to Council with recommendation for adoption as an emergency, the appropriations from the General Fund to the Mechanical Fund of 110.290.5363 in the amount of $7,000. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Any questions from the Committee, Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Thank you, Pam.

Mrs. Boratyn: Thank you.

Mr. Deskins: Item No. 7 - Discussion: Transfer of funds within the Council accounts for new computer. Kris, you want to make a few comments regarding this please?

Mr. Haley: This comes because of one of the computers in the Council Office is actually the 3rd oldest computer in the entire city network, so we're recommending a replacement of that system because there has been some problems with that system and by the time we get through some of our upgrades, it's going to be incompatible with the system we're putting in.

Mr. Deskins: Thank you very much. We appreciate your comments. Any questions for Kris? Councilman Joseph.

Mr. Joseph: When you say it's the third oldest, what does that mean? How old?

Mr. Haley: If you had a list of all the computers in the city, it's from oldest to newest, it's the third one on the list.

Mr. Joseph: Okay and how old is that?

Mr. Haley: I think it was seven or eight years.

Mr. Joseph: Okay, thanks.

Mr. Deskins: Thank you, Kris. Is there any questions, any more questions from the Committee, Council? Then I'd like to make a motion to send this legislation request to Council with recommendation for adoption as an emergency transferring $925 from Council Account No. 110.571.5359 to No. 110.571.5631 for the purchase of a new computer and monitor. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Questions from the Committee, Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response).

Item No. 8 - Discussion: Fiber internet installation- - -held 10-4-2010; *held 10-18-2010*.

We had some discussion here on 10-4-2010 and also on 10-18-2010. Mr. Kris Haley is going to talk to us more this evening.

Mr. Haley: I came in and discussed this with you, I believe it was a couple of weeks ago. These are the final numbers that we've been able to come up with and some of the savings we've been able to identify what we're going to cancel when we move to the fiber. There's some other savings we're working on trying to identify the exact numbers, but we just haven't had that at this point. The contract with AT&T, they've got some credits that are able to be applied to our services as long as this is moved forward, so that's why we're bringing it now. Also this is going to take 60 - 90 days to get installed. So we're hoping to have it installed the first part of January so that we can continue with some other improvements that we have planned.

Mr. Deskins: Kris, this total package is going to cost us, or cost the city $1,361, is that right?

Mr. Haley: Correct.

Mr. Deskins: Those, you've got some numbers that's coming off of that total and that should be coming, those replacements should be in what you say, three to four weeks on the old equipment coming out?

Mr. Haley: Well, we won't be billed for the fiber until it actually becomes active so it won't be for 60 or 90 days when it's actually installed. We'll probably have a 10-15 day window where we're having to pay both services in order to get things switched over and we're going to make that happen as fast as we can so we can cancel them right away.

Mr. Deskins: This is a three year contract?

Mr. Haley: Three year contract.

Mr. Deskins: And basically, we're looking roughly $4,800 more per year........

Mr. Haley: Correct.

Mr. Deskins: ....with the new system versus the old and right now, under the T-1 setup, we have 1.5 ......

Mr. Haley: ......1.5 megabits and we're going to 20 to keep up with the other........

Mr. Deskins: We're going to 20?

Mr. Haley: Right. So 1.5 megabits per second out to the Internet is the current, we're going to 20 megabits per second. That's going to help with our Police Cruiser connections, the connections to the other, the two remote sites, the Water Department, the Street Department and also the offsite services that we're going to be implementing and the Clerk of Courts is also going to be implementing too.

Mr. Deskins: You feel this is a good contract?

Mr. Haley: I do.

Mr. Deskins: Is there any questions from the Committee, any questions from Council? President Hills.

Mr. Hills: Kris, something you said made me think of it, because you're asking for an emergency on this, but we're not going to have it for 60 - 90 days, but you're talking about an overlap. Is not our current contract with AT&T?

Mr. Haley: It is.

Mr. Hills: And we're going to go into a new contract with AT&T. It's just their new system they have available.

Mr. Haley: Correct.

Mr. Hills: AT&T ever thought about, you may want to work with us or we don't want to enter into your fiber contract. I mean, you re-contracting with the same AT&T.

Mr. Haley: Uh-huh.

Mr. Hills: I would hope that we wouldn't have any overlapping and double payments on things.

Mr. Haley: The overlap is only on a couple of the items there. The Webforce item that is listed on there, is not an AT&T bill. That's going to have an overlap. The AT&T, T-1 will not have an overlap.

Mr. Hills: Okay, then now, does our contract, our existing contract with AT&T expire on 12-31-10? Is that what we're concerned about?

Mr. Haley: Well no it does not expire, we're actually doing a replacement.

Mr. Hills: Okay, so they are working with the same, we're going to.........

Mr. Haley: Yes.

Mr. Hills: You're coming into our new system that we're so great with........

Mr. Haley: Uh-huh.

Mr. Hills: .....and okay, so.

Mr. Haley: We would actually typically still be under contract with the T-1 for two more years with a large cancellation fee.

Mr. Hills: .....but there'll be no cancellation fee.....

Mr. Haley: There'll be no cancellation fee with this, with this agreement.

Mr. Hills: Upgrading to their better system.

Mr. Haley: Correct and when we looked at, when we sat down and looked at different providers that had fiber in the area, to look to see if AT&T gave us the best deal, there was a couple of providers that came in on a monthly charge that was less than AT&T only when we looked at the cancellation contract........

Mr. Hills: ....but we couldn't afford their cancellation fee (inaudible) that sort of makes them sole provider. (Inaudible)

Mr. Haley: The 36 month contract was the shortest amount of time that we could do to get a decent rate so that we could re-look at this in three more years______

Mr. Hills: Okay, that clarifies it I guess because basically, if we're just entering into a new contract with the same provider that wants us to pay more money, they ought to be willing to work with us pretty close.

Mr. Haley: Yeah, they are working with us.

Mr. Hills: Okay.

Mr. Deskins: Is there any other questions from Council? Kris, thank you very much for your comments. I'd like to make a motion to send this legislation request to Council with a recommendation for adoption as an emergency requesting authorization for the Mayor to enter into a contract with AT&T to upgrade the fiber optics network for Internet service. Seconded by Mrs. Kelly. Any questions from the Committee, questions from Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 9 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT FOR HEALTH SERVICES- - -first rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from the Committee, questions from Council? I'd need a second for it to be sent forward for its second reading. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. All those in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes. Ladies and Gentlemen, the next ten or sixteen items on here, I want Mr. Miller to realize he's shot his wad for all of 2011 legislation. So when we get these approved tonight, don't ____ for a whole year. (Laughter)

Item No. 10 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (GPD Group)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from the Committee or Council? If not, I'll send it to Council for recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mrs. Kelly. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 11 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (W. E. Stilson Consulting Group)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from the Committee or Council? Then I'll send it to Council for recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 12 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Mannik and Smith Group)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Any questions from the Committee, any questions from Council? If not, I'll send it to Council for recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 13 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (American Structurepoint, Inc.)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Any questions from the Committee or Council, and I'll send it to Council for recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Any questions from the Committee or

Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 14 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Burgess & Niple)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Are there any questions from the Committee or Council? Then I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 15 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Watcon Consulting Engineers)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Are there any questions from the Committee or Council? If not, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 16 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Strand Associates, Inc.)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from Committee or Council? If not, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption; I need a second. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 17 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (CT Consultants)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from the Committee or Council, and I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 18 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (EMH&T)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from the Committee or Council? Hearing none, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mrs. Kelly. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 19 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (M E Companies)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Any questions from the Committee or Council? Hearing none, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 20 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (BBC&M Engineering, Inc.)- - -second rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from the Committee or Council? Hearing none, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Questions from the

Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 21 - **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Bird Houk, a Division of OHM)- - -**second rdg 10-25-2010. Is there any questions from the Committee or Council? Then I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 22 - **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Resource International, Inc.)- - -second** rdg 10-25-2010. Any questions from the Committee or Council? Hearing none, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 23 - **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Quality Control Inspection, Inc.)- - -**second rdg 10-25-2010. Any questions from the Committee or Council? Hearing none, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Questions from the Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 24 - **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Asebrook & Company Architects, LLC)- - -**second rdg 10-25-2010. Any questions from the Committee or Council? Hearing none, I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Questions from the Council or Committee? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes.

Item No. 25 - **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (DLZ)- - -**second rdg 10-25-2010. Any questions from the Committee or Council? I'll send it to Council with recommendation for adoption. Seconded by Mr. Clemens. Questions from Committee or Council? All in favor vote "Aye". (All voted "Aye") Opposed. (No response). Motion passes. Thank you, Jim. I'll close the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Finance Committee

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

November 1, 2010

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