



**FINANCE COMMITTEE - BARTH COTNER
MONDAY JULY 25, 2016**

**COMMITTEE MEETING: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PREVIOUS
MEETING**

**PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7232 E. MAIN ST, REYNOLDSBURG, OH 43068**

1. Call to Order

PRESENT: Clemens, Cotner, Long, Skinner, Joseph
ABSENT:

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda stands approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

a. Finance Committee – Committee Meeting – July 11, 2016

Minutes stand approved.

4. Discussion

a. Ordinance Authorizing Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Tritech Software Systems., for the Purchase of New Records Management Software and Related Services.

Chief O'Neill: Thank you Chairman Cotner and members of Council. What's before you is a proposal that we would like to move forward with. It's the purchase of new records management software from a company called TriTech. TriTech is a fairly large player in this market and in fact, they just purchased the company that now services our records management EmergeTech who at one point was located down at the 6400 block and that's how we kind of partnered with them shortly after the police building was erected. We were used as a sort of a show piece for Emerge Tech that would bring perspective clients down to look at their products in use and they gave us a pretty good deal on the software when we initially purchased it. Since that time, first off this software is starting to show signs of age, it's not as current as we would like and we have been looking at ways to upgrade over the past several years. We were a little bit behind the eight ball because I think our IT capabilities aren't what some other municipalities have and because of that we were a little bit reluctant to spend the type of money that this sort of upgrade requires until we were certain the product we were going to get was going to work as advertised and until now, I don't think we were in a position to move forward. This particular product through TriTech is the same version of the same software that's currently in use by the City of Gahanna, the City of Whitehall and the City of Bexley. By moving forward with a sole source and

purchasing this particular brand of software, we would be able to link together with three other agencies on the east side of Franklin County and be able to share information, share databases, be able to compare and consolidate crime reporting so instead of this snapshot that is just Reynoldsburg, we'd be able to see crime trends throughout the east side. Since we were in the market for an upgrade, it seemed only logical that we partner with these agencies and try to consolidate our efforts. This is also consistent with the other moves that our department has made or is planning to make, namely, we've upgraded our radio system to allow us to talk through the 800mhz system to those three agencies. We are also, not necessarily of our own volition, but we are being forced to consolidate a 911 answering point with another, just to give you a little background, the Franklin County Commissioners are only going to fund 2 answering points in Central Ohio. We knew that Columbus was going to be one of them and we were pretty sure that Franklin County Sheriff's Department was going to have another one and at that point, Gahanna was able to partner with the Mech that handles dispatching for fire services and kind of consolidate efforts there and are giving us an opportunity to piggy back on that, it sounds really complicated, I wish I could do it more justice as far as the clarification concerns, but basically we are no longer going to be our own. There should be a fairly seamless change and it shouldn't really affect the overall operation if a person in Reynoldsburg next year calls 911 its still going to ring in our building. There shouldn't be a delay of any measurable time, maybe a matter of a fraction of a second or second to hit their switch and be transferred over to us. But we're not going to be burdened with maintaining our own equipment, paying for our own service agreements and that sort of thing, so there will be a cost savings down the line but this is sort of all in the same vein of connecting the same agencies and allowing our capabilities to reach out to Gahanna, to Whitehall, to Bexley. We thought at one point New Albany was also going to be on board, but they kind of drifted towards the Licking County Sheriff's Department and I think they interact with them probably more than they do with us anyway. We're looking at basically four local agencies getting together and the next step in it is this particular program.

Mr. Long: Quick question Chief. And the fund source?

Chief O'Neill: It's going to come out of our Special Law Enforcement funds that we have. We still have a balance of in the neighborhood of \$370-375 thousand depending on what's in the pipeline as far as forfeitures are concerned right now. This particular project, I believe we are asking for \$212,267 and that includes a \$7,000 which includes overrun. So we're looking at \$205,000 just for this particular software but it should upgrade our capabilities and this particular program will not only allow us to do our mobile reporting and handle our reports the way it does, there are also components involved in this that manages our property room, manages our mug shots, again the mug shots that we will be very easily able to share with Whitehall, Gahanna, Bexley, so if we are looking for a person or we have someone, we can access their databases and they can do the same for ours.

Mr. Luzader: I notice our contract with EmergiTech expires the end of the year. So all of the training and software will be in place by the end of the year?

Chief O'Neill: We are hoping it will be. We would like to move forward and get the ball moving on this sometime in October. We realize that this change is not going to be a turn it

on type of thing. We have a commitment from the Deputy Chief at Gahanna who is very familiar with this to send some of their people down to help and sort of mass train our people and lesson the learning curve on this. If we're not quite ready to throw the switch, which we do have the option of extending our Emergitec, we own the software, its a maintenance contract and if we have to extend that for a short time frame, and again, remember Emergitech was just purchased by TriTech, so if we ask for a little bit of help or a little bit of relief, I'm sure we could probably work something out.

Mr. Cotner: I just want to confirm timing on this, how quickly do you need to move, especially with us going into recess?

Chief O'Neill: Since this is a sole source and we are asking for a little bit of an expectation for how we go out and spend our \$212,000, we weren't as concerned at moving at the rate where we would ask for an emergency. They're aware of what we're doing, we are keeping them up to speed. I think they're getting the product and a program ready to launch as soon as we move forward with a vote but at this point I don't see the need for an emergency.

RESULT:	REFERRED TO COUNCIL [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 9/12/2016 8:00 PM
MOVER:	Barth R. Cotner, At Large	
SECONDER:	Chris Long, At Large	
AYES:	Clemens, Cotner, Long, Skinner	

- b. ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO MORPC FOR ADMINISTRATION COSTS INCURRED FOR THE COORDINATION OF ROUND 29 OF THE SCIP/SGF, AND/OR THE LTIP (Livingston Avenue Improvement), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Sampson: Thank you Chairman Cotner. This reimbursement is to cover administrative costs to MORPC incurred for the Livingston Avenue Improvement Project.

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- c. Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Reynoldsburg, Ohio: Amending Section 732.06 Nonpayment of Chapter 732 Rates for Residential Collection and Disposal of Garbage, Refuse, Recyclables, and Yard Waste. (First Reading 7/25/2016).

Mr. Hood: I told you all last time, I need to have the sections amended, the language will not change, the clerk will prepare that and get it to your packets so you have the proper so you have the proper numbers before you pass the ordinance.

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