



**FINANCE COMMITTEE - BARTH COTNER
MONDAY JUNE 26, 2017**

COMMITTEE MEETING: 7:33 PM

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

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda stands approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

a. Finance Committee – Committee Meeting – June 12, 2017

Minutes stand approved.

4. Discussion

a. An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Electorate of the Amendment of Section 4.14 of the City of Reynoldsburg Charter and Declaring an Emergency.

RESULT:	REFERRED TO COUNCIL [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/26/2017 8:00 PM
SECONDER:	Chris Long, At Large	
AYES:	Cotner, Long, Skinner, Luzader	

b. An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Electorate of the Amendment of Section 8.04 of the City of Reynoldsburg Charter and Declaring an Emergency.

RESULT:	REFERRED TO COUNCIL [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/26/2017 8:00 PM
SECONDER:	Brett Luzader, Ward II	
AYES:	Cotner, Long, Skinner, Luzader	

c. An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Electorate of the Amendment of Section 7.01 of the City of Reynoldsburg Charter and Declaring an Emergency.

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SECONDER:	Chris Long, At Large	
AYES:	Cotner, Long, Skinner, Luzader	

- d. An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Electorate of the Amendment of Section 7.02 of the City of Reynoldsburg Charter and Declaring an Emergency.

RESULT:	REFERRED TO COUNCIL [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/26/2017 8:00 PM
SECONDER:	Dan Skinner, At Large	
AYES:	Cotner, Long, Skinner, Luzader	

- e. An Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Electorate of the Amendment of Section 4.11 of the City of Reynoldsburg Charter and Declaring an Emergency.

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- f. ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Section 190.01 AUTHORITY TO LEVY TAX; PURPOSE OF TAX of Chapter 190 INCOME TAX EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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- g. Request to Purchase Next Generation 911 Equipment and Join the Columbus 911 Consortium

Chief O'Neill: We're asking for funding to purchase an entire new 911 system. Recently the Ohio Legislature has updated the ORC in an attempt to streamline the funding of 911 systems across the state. In doing that they reduced the number of funded 911 systems in Franklin County down to 3. We were placed in a position where we had to find another system. The 3 that are currently in play right now for the County, are the City of Columbus, a consortium that is headed up by the City of Gahanna and another one headed up by Dublin. Gahanna doesn't really have what I consider to have a viable maintenance agreement with anyone at this point and they don't have a governing body set up to run their consortium at this point. So that really leaves Columbus as the one in play for us at this point. Initially they gave us a drop dead date of the beginning of April of 2018 when the entire county was going to be pushed towards this and that has to do with everyone has to update their systems in order to make them able to take 911 calls that were either text or web based to be able to identify the origin of the call. Right now, on a cell phone if you call 911 the call bounces off the nearest available cell tower which isn't necessarily the nearest and it goes to the county or highway patrol and they figure out what jurisdiction to send it to. This entire effort was

made to streamline that. Now in the future when someone calls or a text message or some other way of moving forward, it will bounce off the County, get to one of the appropriate 911 positions and be transferred to the appropriate jurisdiction. That said, we had our timeline compressed and our system is failing. We are in dire need of speeding up our timeline to this fall instead of next spring. The amount we are asking for is to cover \$180,000 of expense. After talking to Mr. Harris, he said this is an appropriate use of the CIP funds.

Mr. Cotner: This would have needed done regardless. This wasn't an option for us; this is a necessity that we're required.

Chief O'Neill: We could have maintained our own system, it would not have been funded and the initial ground breaking expense for that would have exceeded half a million dollars and then we would have had to worry about our own maintenance and any updates they decide to force on us down the road. Sticking with our own system the way it is now was not an option. We had to go with one of those three. Columbus has the support structure and infrastructure already in place and would serve the people best.

Mr. Long: Thank you Chief, our 911 system has come up in discussion in our community advisory events, particularly in the Route 256 area over by 70. When it involves bouncing off other towers, you could be talking 3 different counties. I know that the calls I've had to make there when there were traffic accidents and possibly even somebody seriously hurt, I would advise everybody that if you're in that area and you call 911 to immediately ask for Reynoldsburg 911 and they'll put you through to the RPD. I have a question for the Chairman, if this is a safety issue, do you believe that we should go three readings? Let's just add emergency language to it and move it on, get it passed on the second?

Mr. Cotner: Chief, what is your timing on everything. Do you need to move forward immediately?

Chief O'Neill: I am not 100% convinced that if we passed it tonight it would go all that much quicker because we are talking about a lot of things that may not be sitting on a shelf and we may not have the technical support people available to do the install and stuff like that. If I can sort of go back and let them know to be prepared that will still put us in play.

Mr. Cotner: I don't have any problem with moving it forward... This is 2 separate items so we'll move them forward as such.

Motion to send forward the purchase of equipment by Mr. Cotner as an emergency on second reading. Second by Mr. Long. All voted Aye. Motion Carried

Motion to send forward the agreement with Columbus as an emergency on second reading. Second by Mr. Long. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

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- h. Ordinance Authorizing Mayor to Purchase Sierra Wireless Modems and Related Equipment for the Reynoldsburg Police Department and Appropriating Funds Therefore; and Declaring an Emergency.

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- i. Aan Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Joint Economic Development District Contract by and Between Etna Township and the City of Reynoldsburg, Ohio and Declaring an Emergency

Presentation by Mr. Hood added to the minutes. That explains the JEDD 3 between the City of Reynoldsburg and Etna Township.

Mr. Cotner: It is a big benefit to the City of Reynoldsburg.

Mr. Hood: It is a great partnership.

Mr. Cotner: The 8.5 million dollars that the CRG is going to spend, what kind of infrastructure are we talking about with that kind of money, what are they doing?

Mr. Hood: So, if you can imagine a brownfield site that is just a cornfield or bean field that you're going to build, what they're talking about 1-2million square feed of industrial complex, you're talking about everything from road, curb, gutter, water, sewer, retention, storm... it's all public infrastructure. That's not taking into account what they are going to build privately.

Mr. Cotner: So we know what our process will be. Etna Township, Licking County, are these other entities going through similar things? Are we comfortable things are moving forward?

Mr. Hood: If you remember with the JEDD 2 we had that meeting and the Mayor was kind enough to sign that night after the ordinance was passed, I signed then they had their meeting the day after... Once the ordinance is accepted by us, then they will pass a Resolution by the Township Trustees accepting the same thing. They have the same public notice requirements, the same public comment requirements, all of those things. They're just a step behind us because the municipality acts first.

Mr. Luzader: Pertaining to the 3% for tax collection, we're expecting over 50 years that 3% to cover costs?

Mr. Hood: It covers actual costs, so it's 3% now, but whatever cost of collections. That's why it is important to have a member from Reynoldsburg on the Board because it makes sure the costs are covered. Also, RITA is on board with this.

Mr. Spalding: Jersey Township even though they won't benefit from this per se, they have though because properties bought, a new fire station going in, so they're taken care of and this money will be well received from West Licking Fire Department.

Mr. Hood: I said that tongue in cheek because of that. The contract specifically calls for this 5% to be spent within the JEDD or adjacent to the JEDD district, so even though our friends from Jersey Township are in the West Licking Fire District but we can use that 5% up there as much as we might like to.

Mr. Cotner: Ok I make a motion to send this forward for a first reading and Mr. Long will send a public hearing on that July 31st.

Motion to approve in its current form by Mr. Cotner, 2nd by Mr. Luzader.
All voted Aye, motion carried.

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- j. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a (No Cost) Lease Agreement with Taylor Square Owner, LLC., 250 Civic Center Dr., Suite 500, Columbus Oh 43215 and Declaring it an Emergency.

Chief O'Neill: We were actually approached by a representative for Casto. He graciously offered up without solicitation an open store front that he didn't think was well suited for retail, at least in his mind and didn't have a perspective tenant for that area, that would be something along the lines of a dentist office or something, it didn't depend on walk up traffic. He offered it at no cost, all we would have to do is basically sign a contract showing we were insured and we had the ability to take care of the property. The only contingency is that if they do rent it, they would look for additional space for us, or we'll just be out a substation, but in the meantime, it seems like an excellent chance to get our community resource officer back down into Taylor Square for almost all 40 hours of her work week, give us a presence there, give the people a chance to register concerns without having to drive to the police station or tying up the officer or dispatch.

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- k. Ordinance to Authorize the Mayor to Enter into a Lease Agreement with Blacklick Properties Ltd. for a Reynoldsburg Police Substation; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (First Reading 6/12/2017).

Chief O'Neill: This is just a relocation of our substation from our position at Century City to a more centralized and more visible spot. When I took over as Chief, one of the things I started looking at was a potential places to move the substation that would make us more visible and allow us to serve more people. The current location at Century City was effective, but it was really limited to really just serving the people in Century City and we didn't experience the walk up traffic or visibilty that we wanted to have. We worked with Bishoff for over a year trying to get this ironed out and we actually got them to give us the price we were looking for, they're going to lease this to us, its a bit of a step-up program where they're goingt o charge us the \$200 a month initially and it will increase a little over the next 3 years but it will still put us in a facility that will give us everything we want at probably 20% of the market value.

Mr. Cotner: Not as good as free but still not bad.

Mr. Hood: I just want to say in all seriousness, I helped negotiate these 2 leases, these last 2 items for the police department and this is not a coincidence, this is a direct correlation between the Chief making it a priority to reengage our community, with his Community Relations Bureau and Community Resource Officers. Being embeded in those areas, he should be commended for that. They didn't just come off the street and say hey do you guys want this store front, these are relationships that he felt were important and our officers have started developing over this time. You should be commended for that Chief, you really should.

Mr. Cotner: Thank you and I totally agree. It's great to see our police force out supporting our community and getting involved.

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- l. Ordinance Authorizing the City Auditor to Remove Equipment from the City's Fixed Asset List. - Parks & Recreation Department. (Second Reading 6/12/2017).

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- m. Resolution Adopting the Tax Budget of the City of Reynoldsburg Ohio, for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2018 and Declaring an Emergency. (First Reading 6/12/2017).

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- n. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH EMH&T FOR THE ENGINEERING, PLANS, ADVERTISING, AND TO PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS FOR PINE QUARRY BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE. (First Reading 6/12/2017).

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