

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 21, 2007

Members of Safety Committee present: Ron Stake, Antoinette Newman, Donna Shirey, Brett Baxter.

Other members of Council present: Doug Joseph, Mel Clemens, Preston Stearns, Council President William L. Hills.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Stake: The next item then is approval of the agenda. Are there any additions, deletions to the Safety Committee agenda?

Mr. Clemens: I'd like to add the Streetscape. I've got a couple of questions I'd like to ask.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Mr. Clemens would like to add Streetscape, and I will add that to the agenda. All in favor, please state aye. (All voted Aye). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. And that's item 3a.

Item 3 is approval of the minutes of the May 7, 2007 Safety Committee meeting. Are there any changes to those minutes? (No response). None being heard, they'll stand as submitted.

Item 3a is Streetscape. Councilman Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Yes. I've got a couple of questions, and I've been asked about these, and if they can't be answered tonight, they can get me the answers. But the first one I'd like to ask about is, where's our sidewalk sweeper? Are we using it or what's going on? Can you give us a little information on that? I mean, it's \$26,000 worth of something.

Mr. DeBolt: Mr. Chairman, Councilman Clemens. The street sweeper or the sidewalk sweeper?

Mr. Clemens: Sidewalk.

Mr. DeBolt: Okay. Just in case you're wondering, the street sweeper has been, was down. Now it's back up and running.

Mr. Clemens: Well, I know that has. That's correct.

Mr. DeBolt: Okay. Is it up and running? As far as I know. Has it been used out there? I don't know, because I haven't seen it. I haven't heard talk of it. But I know we've cleaned some sidewalks, because I've asked certain ones to be cleaned. But I'm not sure they were done with that particular machine. So I can't answer that, but I'll find out.

Mr. Clemens: I know you weren't here.....

Mayor McPherson: Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: ...I'm not putting you on the spot or anything like that.

Mayor McPherson: It has been used. We use it twice a week for the Streetscape. And then we use it for the other sidewalks too. But it's scheduled for two sweeps a week on Streetscape. And it has been used you know, twice a week, you know, for quite some time now.

Mr. Clemens: Is it cleaning the bike paths and things like that?

Mayor McPherson: It cleans, not on a regular basis, but as needed.

Mr. Clemens: And it was supposed to be pushing snow. Did it do that?

Mayor McPherson: It doesn't push snow, and I didn't think it was supposed to do that.

Mr. DeBolt: No. No.

Mayor McPherson: No. It doesn't push snow. I can tell you that.

Mr. Clemens: (Inaudible.)

Mr. DeBolt: We were looking at a lot of options, but that, I didn't think....

Mayor McPherson: No, that wasn't one of them, I don't think.

Mr. Clemens: Alright. I'll keep my eye open for it, because I haven't seen it. I just wondered....

Mayor McPherson: Yeah. If you'd like, we'll give you a jingle and let you know what the schedule is.

Mr. Clemens: If you would.

Mayor McPherson: It's a set schedule.

Mr. Clemens: Alright.

Mr. DeBolt: That's two of us, Mr. Clemens. I haven't seen it either. But I usually hear about them when they break down. So if it's working, it must be out there doing its job.

Mr. Clemens: Well, I heard it had broke down. That's why I was asking.

Mr. DeBolt: The big one.

Mayor McPherson: Yeah. The big one. Not the little one.

Mr. Clemens: Not the big one. The small one. Alright. Just let me know so I can take a look.

The second one was, is the, what=s going on with the, you know, you and I had a little conversation and I didn=t understand it, what=s going on with the mulch?

Mr. DeBolt: Well, my understanding is that the contract, we have two contracts for the landscaping. And the contract from Phase I included new mulch. The contract on the latest, on Phase II included just mulch for the first time that they put it down. Not replacement mulch. And again, the mulch was put down in the Fall. And again, winter came and gone, and it doesn=t look as good as the other. Especially when you had new mulch put down on Phase I. So basically, that=s not included in the contract.

Mr. Clemens: How long is the contract?

Mr. DeBolt: Both contracts will be up this year and we=re going to merge them so we have one contract for both phases. So that situation will be resolved. So everything will be consistent after this year.

Mr. Clemens: Alright. That=s fine. I just wondered what the contracts _____. That=s fine.

Mr. Hills: If I could, one question. In the design and planning of the project, was there a, Phase II was not done as far as landscaping, mulching the same as Phase I? Because most of these things did overlap. The same bidding process and everything else. Or was this a change order that somebody decided to take out?

Mr. DeBolt: I don=t know that for a fact. Because getting all the information, I can find out. (Inaudible).

Mayor McPherson: Mr. Hills. The reason we have to is because, the second phase is under a warranty situation. It was part of the original contract. And that warranty and all is up this year. The Phase I was a contract that we had to enter into which we entered into for this year. Both contracts will be up. Warranty work will be up and contract will be up this year. So come next year, it=ll be everything, Phase I and II will be under one contract. But a lot of the work that you see being done out there right now in Phase II, that=s the warranty work. And that=s the landscaper that=s responsible for maintaining it. It=s responsible for weeding it and things like that. That was part of the contract.

Mr. DeBolt: There were some issues. We met last week with the landscaping contractor. Mr. Nolan, and myself, and Mr. Walsh. And there were some issues identified that are being worked on.

Mr. Clemens: In Phase II, it=s under warranty. That=s what they=re doing now, Bob, you say?

Mayor McPherson: That=s what the company is doing right now. It=s still under warranty stuff.

Mr. Clemens: Then we have no contract with them then. We=re not paying them anything extra, right?

Mayor McPherson: No. It=s part of the contract that we already paid them for.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. Good enough.

Mr. Stake: Councilman Clemens, any other questions?

Mr. Clemens: I think they do.

Mr. Stake: Councilman Stearns.

Mr. Stearns: Yes. Chairman Stake, I have noticed that on the corner of Brice and Main, right in front of the Walgreen=s, the wall has been damaged.

Mr. DeBolt: Yes. That was an accident that occurred with a driver that lost control of the car and hit the wall. So that=s being, going to be repaired to the cost to the driver of the accident.

Mr. Stearns: Okay.

Mr. DeBolt: Was not seriously injured. And again, the damage there was not just to the wall, but to the coping that continued all the way down to one whole side of the wall even though that wasn=t hit. Just the shock invigorated down to the top of it and cracked a lot of the top. So it might be an expense to fix, but we=ve got their insurance company. So we=re following up.

Mr. Stearns: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Stake: Councilman Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Yes, Councilman Stake. I=m probably opening up a can of worms here, but that=s okay. I always think it=s right for us to rethink decisions. And I know there were two different types of decisions made between Phase I and Phase II. But I think it=s appropriate at this time, that property that=s not owned by the city and owned by business owners, should share in the burden for beautifying Streetscape. So we should be thinking about, when we=re going into contracts, about discussing the payback to the public or private lands that we are beautifying. And so those should be things that we should be looking at for next year when we=re looking at putting contracts together, is to work with the business community, and share in the burden. Thank you.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Any other questions or comments from members of Council? (No response). Alright. Thank you, Mr. DeBolt, Mayor.

Item number 4 is Discussion, Revisit legislation and authorize three additional police officers. This was brought out of Other Legislation on 5-7-07 and held for two weeks. And we did have a meeting, I think it was left at the last Safety Committee meeting that some of us get together and meet and talk about this. We did have a meeting with the Auditor, the Auditor=s Accountant, Lieutenant O=Neill, the Chief, Safety/Service Director DeBolt, the Mayor, the Mayor=s secretary, myself, President Hills. Did I forget anybody? I think that was everybody. Alright. And we did discuss what we might be able to afford. By reallocating funds that we currently have coming in. The Chief was very helpful. The Auditor was very helpful. The Mayor was very helpful. The President was very helpful. Everybody was helpful in providing input and trying to come to some kind of agreement there. And I think we agreed on we would be able to afford, with the Chief=s reallocation of most of his, it would come from most of his funds there, we=d be able to afford two more officers. And I don=t believe there=s any legislation required on this, but this is certainly a good time to discuss this issue if any members of Council, members of Safety Committee have any questions or comments. Members of Council? (No response). Okay. Well, then there=s really no action required by us, for those police officers had already been authorized. And we=re in agreement that the Chief has made a great effort in saving some overtime and doing some other realignments with his funding, and we=re able to get two more officers out there on the street. So he=ll be proceeding with that and depending on what kind of officers he finds, either ones that have to go to the academy or not, might determine how fast we have those officers out there. But with no other discussion, no other business with this, I would like to take this item off the table, so I will make a motion to table this indefinitely. Do I have a second? Second by Councilwoman Newman. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAYe@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you.

And item number 5 is Discussion, Direct Justice Assistance Grant, 2007. And this is something we were informed about, I believe recently. So there is a time factor here, I think Lieutenant O=Neill is here. I don=t have my glasses on, but it looks like it. Okay. Come on up. If you want to just give us a brief synopsis on this, we=d appreciate it.

Lt. O=Neill: Yes, sir. Back in the beginning of this month on May 2, we received notice from the office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs that we were pre-approved for a Justice Assistance Grant through the Edward Byrne Memorial. This is similar to a grant that we received back in 2004. It=s a, the numbers on it in particular are \$13,253 that they=re going to allocate without a matching requirement from the city. Like I said, we are pre-approved. The legislation that we=re requesting in this instance is just for approval to apply for and accept the grant. And we are allowed to use this basically, as we see fit as long as it falls into their guidelines. And that=s part of the application process. Submit a program, a narrative and a program budget to them.

Mr. Stake: Okay. Are there any questions for Lieutenant O=Neill from members of the Safety

Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). And we do need to, deadline is July 2, so we do need emergency on this. Is this, would this be an ordinance Mrs. Frazier, or a motion?

Mrs. Frazier: I think this is an ordinance, Ron.

Mr. Stake: Ordinance? Okay. Alright. No discussion then, I'll make a motion that we send this forward with recommendation for adoption as an emergency. Do I have a second? Second by Councilwoman Shirey. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted Aye). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you Lieutenant.

Item number 6 is an ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 741 SOLICITORS. It had its second reading on 5-14-07. And we did receive a new draft of this recently. Are there any questions or comments from members of the Safety Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). I believe it does incorporate everything we discussed previously. And since it had its second reading, then if there are no questions or comments, Councilman Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Yes, sir. I only had one question. That was, is there an expiration date? Is this an annual requirement for a permit? And what would that, is that January to January? Does anybody know that answer?

Mr. Stake: I see the Assistant City Attorney here and he's looking for that answer. I hate to assume, but I would think it would be an annual permit you'd apply for. Isn't that how it works now? Mayor?

Mayor McPherson: No. Typically, it's for a specific time period. And again, I would have to read through this one. But it is usually for a specific time period being like three days or a week. We rarely issue permits that are annual.

Mr. Stake: It does have on the application at the bottom, date of issuance and expiration date. That's how you do it now, right? Where you issue them for a...

Mayor McPherson: Yeah. We issue it just for a few days at a time. Three or four days at a time. And I'll read back through here to make sure that we've addressed it.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. I was thinking more of the situation like with the people who work on roofs, and people who put siding up and those type of people who are long-term types of employment and are here in the city. But still, they go door to door. And those were the type I'm thinking. I'm sure we all understood that those people who ask for the weekend type of notice be understood that would be for a couple of days. But we do have businesses that are here year around and in my mind, if they solicit, then they should also have permits.

Mr. Stake: Well, I agree with that. Well, do we want to hold this until we find out the answer to that question?

Mr. Baxter: I don't see why we need to hold it.

Mr. Stake: Councilwoman Newman.

Mrs. Newman: Well, it seems to me that the question's been answered if the application has an expiration date. You know, I mean, it's for a given period of time.

Mr. Stake: Why don't we just, how about if...go ahead Mayor.

Mayor McPherson: Well, when somebody applies for that, it's for one occurrence, you know. And the occurrence is for >x= number of days. So in respect to Councilman Baxter's question about roofing contractors or something, this permit would not give them carte blanche to just work the city any time they wanted. You know, they would have to come in, tell us when they're going to be soliciting. We'd put it specifically on the permit. And then they would have to carry that permit with them so that we would know, you know, they were out there and what they were doing.

Mr. Baxter: I like that better.

Mayor McPherson: Since I've been here, we have never issued just a carte blanche permit.

Mr. Stake: I'm sure you haven't. But shouldn't, since we're doing this, shouldn't we maybe make sure we have that language in the ordinance?

Mayor McPherson: Yeah. That's fine. I don't have a problem with holding it.

Mr. Stake: I don't remember seeing it. (Inaudible. Two people speaking at one time.)

Mayor McPherson: I don't remember reading it in here. I was just going by what we actually do.

Mr. Stake: Right. We probably ought to define that.

Mr. Hills: I think you should hold it and see if it needs to be addressed with additional language. We're not _____ after we pass something doing it again.

Mr. Stake: Right.

Mr. Baxter: And I brought it up specifically because it happened to me at my house with a door-to-door salesman who was a long-term type of business. And they said they had it at the office. I

want to see it around their neck, or something like that.

Mr. Stake: Okay. I=ll make a motion that we hold this for two weeks. Do I have a second? Second by Councilwoman Newman. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAYe@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes.

And I will adjourn the Safety Committee meeting at 7:46.

Safety Committee

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SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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Members of Service Committee present: Mel Clemens, Doug Joseph, Antoinette Newman, Preston Stearns.

Other members of Council present: Brett Baxter, Donna Shirey, Ron Stake, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Clemens: I=d like to call the Service Committee meeting to order at 7:47.

The first item on the agenda is approval of the agenda. I have one item I=d like to add. They have an emergency that=s come up, and Mr. Kipp=s here this evening. I=d like to add Sewer Repair, Seton Square. Mr. Kipp, would you please come up? This is an emergency that=s arose. That=s something that has to be taken care of immediately. So it=s on the agenda to discuss and hopefully to get passed.

Mr. Kipp: Everybody=s got a yellow letter. That=s what came out of the printer when I put it in. On May 11, we had a call from the maintenance man at Seton Square about a sunken spot outside the foundation of the building. We went up and looked at it and it was right beside a downspout drain. We thought it might be that. We went ahead and _____ the sewer anyway. We found that there=s a hole in the pipe with some tile missing and the top of the pipe is starting to come in. I went ahead and talked to Dreier and Maller. He usually does our spot repairs. They looked at it prior to trying to put a patch on it and determined that there=s more than one section of pipe. So they weren=t sure how many it would actually take to make the patch, because there=s cracked pipe on each side of the hole. They didn=t feel it was a job they could do. When I talked to them further about it, they said it would have to be dug up.

I had Wally Tata come out and Jock Clayton. And Wally fixed Matterhorn last year for us. I wanted to see if they could fix it for under \$10,000. They kind of laughed at me. The problem with it is, the sewer was built when there were still going to be houses on Briarcliff. So those were all lots along there. The sewer was on the back property line like they always were. And evidently, they didn=t build the houses. When they built, they left that as a front yard to Seton Square and the sewer=s only 6 feet off the building. It was originally 12 feet deep. They added at least 3 foot of fill on top of that making the sewer 15 foot deep. About 6 foot east, they also ran their water fire line which is a 6 inch fire line. So it=s a mess trying to dig it up. I went back and talked to Stewart Dreier. He=s had a lot of experience with this stuff. He suggested I contact Kokosing, which I did. He came out and looked at it last week. They sent me the quote that you have today I received. And I tried to get them under 10,000. It doesn=t seem anybody does any work under 10,000 any more. But their price was real good. It=s just under 13,000. They said they could be in next week to do it. So I went ahead and scheduled it. As you know, I originally thought we would do it as a Now and Then. I saw you, (Mr. Clemens) you said >bring it in=. I said fine. So we brought it forward just to take care of tonight.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. This is an emergency. It had been discussed and suggested to be a Then and Now. I'm not big on Then and Now=s. I=d rather appropriate the money, get it done, waive competitive bidding, and pass it as an emergency. It could be passed then Tuesday night and you could go ahead next week and do it. That would be quick enough.

Mr. Kipp: Yeah. That=ll work great. I just caution everybody, we all feel that they can line it. If you notice the contract, it says it can collapse. So one thing about Kokosing doing the job, if it does collapse, they have people that can come in and dig it up to get it repaired. Then we=d have to address that issue at that time. But currently, they feel that they can line the whole line and we would be done.

Mr. Clemens: So the way I=d like to handle it is to waive competitive bidding, and pass it as an emergency, and send it to Finance Committee for \$12,860. And move it on to Council for next Tuesday night and get it passed. And that would be plenty of time for Mark. If an emergency happens, it happens. It has to be done. I know that it collapses, you have to do it. But any how, are there any other questions for Mark? Yes, Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter: Councilman Clemens, thank you Chairman. The questions I have are threefold. The first one is surfacing or putting a lining inside of this, how long is that going to last versus a repair and replace?

Mr. Kipp: It=ll be like a fiberglass liner. I mean, it goes in as a tube and they put the fiberglass in and then it sets up.

Mr. Baxter: Is this a patch? Or is it actually repair?

Mr. Kipp: This is a lining. They=re going to line it from manhole to manhole. And it, providing that everything goes alright, it should last many, many years.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. This isn=t something that=ll be just like a year or five years?

Mr. Kipp: No. No.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. It smelled a little bit more like, here we can get a band-aid on it. And I=m wanting to determine, is this a band-aid, or is this a repair is what I=m talking about.

Mr. Kipp: Sometimes we fix a lot of them from the inside with just small patches. This is just a little more serious one we ran into. Usually there aren=t pieces of pipe missing. And here, we took out when we cleaned it, we got out pieces of tile. And the bottom of the pipe is missing.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. The second part of that question is, based upon their exclusion of scope of work, is it standard for the city to issue a bond for them? Because they definitely don=t show

bonding as part of their scope of work. Nor do they show a site and surface restorations. Is that something the city then would pick up and have cost to us to do?

Mr. Kipp: When they do this, there won't be any surface restoration. Now if they....

Mr. Baxter: Because there won't be any damage, is what you're saying?

Mr. Kipp: Right. We're going from manhole to manhole.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. Then there won't be any issues.

Mr. Kipp: We have, years ago when we did one, we had steam from the machine kill some grass. And so we took care of that. And on a little job for only 12,000 we typically wouldn't require a bond for that.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. Great. I was just thinking about the fact that as manholes go, I have one dead smack in the middle of my yard. And I didn't know if you were going to be driving trucks up there. I don't know the site. So obviously, all I can see is, envision my yard as an example. Or the street where I've seen them.

Mr. Kipp: This has got a little better, for one thing it's real dry right now which helps. The one manhole is sitting in a, right next to a parking space. The other one, they'll have to work with. But it's not real far from the parking lot also. And we've talked to Seton Square and they just said, whatever you've got to do to get it done.

Mr. Baxter: Okay. Well thanks for your answers. I appreciate it. Thank you, Councilman Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: Mr. Stearns.

Mr. Stearns: Yes, sir. Mr. Clemens, my question to Mark is, what are they doing now? Is this something they've shut down? Or they cannot....

Mr. Kipp: No. We're just holding our breath. It's one of those things. Until you know about it, you don't have to worry about it. So then you look at it and you try to make a decision, how long can you wait? We've got another section of sewer that I know we have to line. We'll do that later when we do some others. This one really can't, you know, it just can't wait. Because if this breaks down, then it shuts down, we back up all the, along Main Street and the Fire House. It goes all the way up to Rosehill, up Rosehill Road. So right now it's going good. We haven't had a lot of rain which is good. Which sort of sucks the dirt.

Mr. Stearns: When you're televising that, are you thinking of anything like that in that area? Over in there? Because last year you got the issue on Matterhorn Drive. And now that's Seton Square.

Mr. Kipp: We fix a lot of small ones. And that's what I just, I thought this would be a fairly simple job. The _____ would go in. They generally do an inside spot repair for anywhere from 18 to 1800 to \$3,000. So you never really hear about them. I just go ahead and get them fixed. But they didn't feel they could fix this one.

Mr. Clemens: Thank you. Are there any other questions from members of the committee or members of Council? (No response). If not, I'd like to make a motion that we send this to Council and waive competitive bidding, pass it as an emergency and send it to Finance Committee for \$12,860 from the Sewer Fund. Do I have a second on it? Second by Mr. Stearns. All in favor, say aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Thank you, Mark.

The next item on the agenda is approval of the minutes of the Service Committee meeting held May 7, 2007. Are there any additions or deletions? (No response). If not, they'll stand approved.

The next item, is 6 month review of The Spot Family Fun & Billiards Club; Special Exception Use Permit. The applicant has requested some changes. And I think each of you have the ordinance of the Special Exception Use Permit on what was approved to start with. And I think you also have the information from the Spot Billiards= owner of what he would like to change to. I think Mike, you're already up here....

Mrs. Newman: Mr. Clemens, please?

Mr. Clemens: Yes.

Mrs. Newman: Could we hold this for two weeks because we were just given this information tonight?

Mr. Maizon: The extra information is only the proposed changes, wording. You would have came up with that yourself. The stuff that I had given Nancy last week is just the request for exactly what you're seeing this evening.

Mrs. Newman: Well, I did have a request from another person who would like to have two weeks to consider this.

Mr. Clemens: Members of the committee, hold it for two week? Is that fine? Alright. I make a motion we hold this for two weeks. Second by Mrs. Newman. All in favor, say aye. (All voted "Aye"). Opposed? (No response). Mike, so you can come back in two weeks. That will be fine. Thank you. That gives everybody a chance to look into it and go over all the information that you brought. I do have a speaker slip from Ken Wright. Is that alright Ken if we hold this for a couple of weeks? That will be on the agenda then at the next Service Committee meeting.

The next item is the Discussion, Multi-occupancy of residences. And this was held 4-23-07 and then again on 5-7-07. Matt, do you have any other information on this?

Mr. Roth: A little.

Mr. Clemens: At the last meeting, it was requested for Jed to look into it and see if there could be any further identification and so forth, proven. I don't know whether it's been done. Have we received any information?

Mr. Roth: Yes. Last week, we sent a letter off to David Orlandini who is the attorney for the landscape company, asking for the documentation that he relied on in making the representations in the letter he sent us May 2, I think was the date of his letter which he requested two weeks ago. They had to base that information on something. We just asked him to provide that for us. That went out possibly last Thursday. So we haven't gotten a response yet. We also included in there, a request for information on whether they're withholding taxes for the employees that live in the city. I did speak with Brenda in the Auditor's Office. She tells me they are not sending money in to RITA on behalf of their employees. But they are not obligated to either. Some employers do it as a courtesy. But they are not obligated to withhold city tax. She did say however, that they are obligated, if they do any work in Reynoldsburg. For instance, if they landscape something here on Main Street, they are required to send in the taxes on the money they earned while working in Reynoldsburg. But that's not being done either right now. But I wanted to open that door with the attorney, too, in hopes that they might voluntarily comply, or voluntarily start submitting the taxes. Not just for these workers, but for all of their workers that live in the city.

Mr. Clemens: If they live in Reynoldsburg and work for Five Seasons, which is in Etna Township, and they don't have income tax, then they owe it to the City of Reynoldsburg. Am I correct on that?

Mr. Roth: Yeah. They would owe Reynoldsburg taxes.

Mr. Clemens: It's just on how we collect it.

Mr. Roth: I did have a discussion with the Auditor today. His suggestion was, we may want to pass an ordinance that would require them. We couldn't do it to, my understanding Dick, if it's an employer in Columbus and they have an obligation to withhold Columbus taxes, we can't require them to also withhold Reynoldsburg. But an employer in Etna Township for instance, that isn't withholding local taxes for anybody, if we pass some kind of resolution that would require them to pay taxes on their Reynoldsburg employees. But we don't have anything like that right now.

Mr. Clemens: Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris: Yeah. That's pretty close. We don't know at this point in time if they are

withholding taxes for maybe work that=s being done in Westerville, or Gahanna, or some place like that. If they are withholding taxes for no one, and they are not obviously then, Etna Township does not have taxes, the residents would be required to pay Reynoldsburg city income tax. Now, there=s a number of ways we can go at it. At this point, we would like the authorization to make them supply us with names of the people who are there. And there=s a possibility that we could, because obviously, these people are going to be gone in 8 or 9 months. So collecting the taxes next April 15 is going to be like impossible. Because who knows where they=re going to be? So obviously, the easiest way to collect the taxes would be to have Five Seasons withhold them and send them to RITA just like employers in the City of Reynoldsburg would do. At this point, they have an account with RITA. There is no money been submitted this year. But if they refuse to do that, the only way we can possibly go after them would be to require them to file quarterly estimated taxes. And we would certainly be willing to go that way if so authorized.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. But you are looking into that since you questioned the attorney on that?

Mr. Harris: Yeah.

Mr. Clemens: So you should get an answer back on that.

Mr. Roth: And not just for these employees. I think it would be nice, as Mr. Harris said, these employees aren=t going to be around next April to send us a check. But their other employees, if they have other employees that live in Reynoldsburg, they can withhold as a courtesy for anybody. Because the employee has an obligation to pay it.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. Dick, could you work up some kind of ordinance on what you think we should have?

Mr. Harris: Yeah. Sure.

Mr. Clemens: And get with Jed on it. And I think it will go through Finance Committee if I=m not mistaken.

Mr. Stake: I think it=s an excellent idea.

Mr. Clemens: And get with Mr. Stake on it and maybe we can get something started as soon as possible. And you will be back with further information?

Mr. Roth: Yeah. As soon as we get a response, we=ll let Council know.

Mr. Clemens: Okay. Fine. Thanks. Thanks, Matt. Are there any other questions pertaining to this subject until we get further information, from the Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Okay. Thank you.

With that, I=d like to end the Service Committee meeting at 8:05.

Service Committee
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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES May 21, 2007

Members of Finance Committee present: Ron Stake, Mel Clemens, Preston Stearns.

Other members of Council present: Brett Baxter, Doug Joseph, Antoinette Newman, Donna Shirey, Council President William L. Hills.

Mr. Stake: I=ll call to order the Finance Committee meeting at 8:06.

Item number 2 is approval of the agenda. I have a couple of changes to the agenda. I=d like to make 3a the sewer repair funding by Seton Square, and I would like to hold items 4 (Discussion: Mowing assessments for 2006 to Franklin County) and 5 (Discussion: Mowing assessments for 2006 to Licking County). Are there any other changes to the agenda? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you.

Item 3a is the funding for the Sewer Repair at Seton Square. We just heard all about that. We need \$12,860 from the Sewer Fund. Are there any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Then I=ll make a motion that we approve this funding. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you.

And item number 3 is the approval of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held May 7. Are there any changes to those minutes? (No response). None being heard, they=ll stand as submitted.

Now on item number 6. Discussion, the Dispatcher Contract. Members received that a week ago. Are there any questions or comments from members of the Finance Committee? (No response). Members of Council? (No response). Mrs. Frazier, do we just do a motion on this?

Mrs. Frazier: An ordinance.

Mr. Stake: As an emergency?

Mrs. Frazier: Yes.

Mr. Stake: Okay. We want to get this in effect as soon as possible I guess. Then I make a motion that we accept this contract, ordinance to accept this contract as an emergency. Do I have a second? Second by Councilman Clemens. Any further discussion? (No response). All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you. Oh, I=m sorry. Recommend that we send this to Council with a recommendation for adoption is what I meant to say. All in favor, please state aye. (All voted AAye@). Opposed? (No response). Motion passes. Thank you. As an emergency.

And I=ll adjourn the Finance Committee at 8:08.

Finance Committee

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