



Finance Committee
Tuesday, July 19, 2022 - 5:00 PM
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Committee Chairman Don Barnard called the Finance Committee meeting to order for July 19, 2022 to order at 5:03 pm

Members Present - Mayor Chip Dutcher, Jon Merriman, Don Barnard
Absent - None

Staff present - Jack Liggett, Rusty Smart, Marvin Block, Teresa Monroe.

Public present - Jamie Hartsough, Meghan Needham, Jesse Coppel, Barbara Knoepfler, Mary Wiswell

2. Action on Minutes

a. March 15, 2022

Mr. Barnard noted that this meeting was prior to he and Mr. Merriman joining the committee.

ACTION: Chip Dutcher moved to approve; Jon Merriman seconded and all were in favor.

AYES: Chip Dutcher, Jon Merriman, Donald Barnard

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 3 - 0

b. June 21, 2022

ACTION: Chip Dutcher moved to approve; Jon Merriman seconded and all were in favor.

AYES: Chip Dutcher, Jon Merriman, Donald Barnard

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 3 - 0

3. Presentation & Discussion: Julian & Grube

Meghan Needham attended from Julian & Grube to update the committee on new city GAP basis accounting. She provided and reviewed the city's financial statement for the year ending December 31, 2021. Questions and discussion on outsourcing finance, use of different accounting systems such as UAN; noted that Government Finance Officer's

Association (GFOA) offers software consulting services, suggestion to check with Westerville and Delaware, get copy of their RFP's. The largest stumbling block in preparation of the financials were the capital assets and tracking projects; timelines and different funding and payback schedules. Further discussion on the finance position and needs of the city, the recommendation to get someone with government experience, discussion on the state audit and schedule.

4. Presentation & Discussion: Ben Lee - fireworks budget, expenditures vs appropriated
This item pushed to next month.

5. Financial Reports

- a. 2022 YTD expense report

Mr. Barnard said this was the expense report as of June 28, the last one from the former Finance Director; we do not have revenues.

6. Other Business

1. Chip Dutcher; recalled previous discussion on the Licking County collaborative vision, a public private partnership working together to do a plan for the county. The Collaborative has hired Planning Next to do the plan for the County. Private entities are paying \$165,000, the County Commissioners are paying \$100,000, public entity costs are based on population. Johnstown's share of the cost would be \$2,000. Mayor Dutcher proposes paying the \$2,000 so Johnstown will be a member in good standing in the partnership; this is organized by Sarah Wallace (The TJ Evans Foundation). All entities along with the public will have input, it is believed that the plan will take about eighteen months.

2. Don Barnard said the opiate distribution settlement payments were finalized, Johnstown will receive eighteen payments of \$796.89, there are restrictions on how the money may be spent and how to account for it.

7. Adjourn

ACTION: Chip Dutcher moved to adjourn; Jon Merriman seconded and all were in favor.

AYES: Chip Dutcher, Jon Merriman, Donald Barnard

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 3 - 0

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm