

THE CITY OF STREETSBORO, OHIO
SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 11, 2022

This Safety Committee Meeting was called to order on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. by Tony Lombardo, Chairman. Mrs. Field gave an invocation and Mr. Hannan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mike Lampa, Anthony Lombardo, Justin Ring, Jon Hannan, Steve Michniak, Julie Field

ABSENT: Jennifer Wagner

ALSO PRESENT: Glenn Broska, Mayor
Frank Beni, Law Director
Patricia Wain, Police Chief
Robert Reinholz, Fire Chief
Matt Miller, Finance Director
Bill Miller, Service Director
Justin Czekaj, Municipal Engineer
John Cieszkowski, Planning Director
Greg Mytinger, Parks and Recreation Director
Patrick O'Malia, Economic Development Director
Shawna Lockhart-Reese, HR Manager
Caroline Kremer, Clerk of Council

MOTION: TO EXCUSE MS. WAGNER.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Disposition of Minutes

None.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Discuss Purchase of New Fire Engine

Chief Reinholz explained he had met with the sales agent last week and made what cuts they could and found the total cost of the new engine would be \$706,000. By making the order before the price increased, and pre-paying (a \$16,000 discount), the City would save \$60,000. The problem was that the accrued amount he had available as of today in the 402- Fire/Ambulance Capital Improvement Fund was only \$650,000; \$56,000 short. Chief Reinholz had been able to push the pre-pay discount until the end of July. The options were 1) the City doesn't get a new fire engine

now but wait to accumulate more money in the 402- account and get one later at a higher cost; or 2) the Fire Department could refurbish an existing engine (for \$450,000-\$650,000 depending on the electrical system) for an additional 10 years of life; or 3) get an advance from the General Fund or carryover to get the engine at the lower cost now that could be paid back from the income generated in the 402- over the next couple of months. The Fire/Ambulance Capital Improvement Fund generated about \$25,000-\$30,000 per month.

Mr. Ring said if the Fire/Ambulance Capital Improvement Fund was only short by \$56,000 of a \$706,000 purchase, he would prefer to move the \$56,000 into the Fund. He said the life expectancy of a new fire engine (20-25 years) versus a refurbished engine (an additional 10 years) was about double, so he said it didn't make sense to spend almost as much as a new engine to get half the years of use. He felt the City had the carry over to do it to lock in the lower price, and it could be paid back out of the Fire/Ambulance Capital Improvement Fund.

Mrs. Field agreed with Mr. Ring and understood Chief Reinholz had always been diligent on how to spend the City's funds. Matt Miller said he could do an Advance in the budget adjustments and have it paid back out once the 402- Fund had enough money in it. He just wanted to be sure this adjustment wouldn't negatively impact the Fire Department's 10 year vehicle replacement plan; there would only be about 4 months of this year's collections going into next year, so it might push off a future planned purchase. Chief Reinholz's next capital purchase wasn't expected until 2024 for an ambulance. He said the 402- Fund usually averaged about \$250,000 per year and a refurbished ambulance cost about \$200,000-\$250,000. The 402- Funds could not be spent on salary or anything else, they could only be spent on capital purchases. In the 10 year vehicle replacement plan Chief Reinholz had estimated a new fire engine at about \$625,000-\$650,000; that's why the account was a little short, but costs had been increasing across the board recently. The new engines had a 400 day delivery period, but he would prepay now by the end of July 2022, if Council authorized the purchase at the July 25, 2022 Council Meeting.

Matt Miller clarified that the Fire Chief had acquired three bids/quotes from three different manufacturers: Sutphin \$745,000, Spartan \$722,000, and E-One \$706,000 (\$722,000-\$16,000 pre-pay discount). Matt Miller asked if there would be any change orders along the way because this pre-pay purchase would wipe out the 402- Fund for a while. Chief Reinholz said they had already figured a \$2,000-\$3,000 cushion in the total price, so it would not go over \$706,000.

MOTION: TO PUT THIS ITEM ON THE JULY FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mr. Hannan. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Citizens' Comments

None.

Announcements

A Service Committee Meeting will immediately follow this meeting.

There being no further business to be addressed by this committee, and upon motion by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Lampa, this meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Kremer, Clerk of Council

Anthony Lombardo, Chairman