



**FINANCE COMMITTEE - BARTH COTNER
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2017**

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

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

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda stands approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

a. Finance Committee – Committee Meeting – July 24, 2017

RESULT: ACCEPTED

4. Discussion

a. Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District Regarding the Dysart Run Stream Restoration Project; Appropriating Funds Therefore and Declaring an Emergency

Mr. Spalding: Thank you Barth, this is brought before us today, Kurt was here over a month ago and presented to us the need to have this water study done and this is very important because not just for Dysart ditch, which we've seen a lot on but this study will look at things inside and outside of Reynoldsburg to see why is that water doing what it's doing and how is it running off, why is it affecting certain properties and not other things. So it's very important and I think the fact that we have a grant and grants are good for us to be able to leverage some money and benefit many many properties in the area as well as the city and also get to the root cause of what is causing this problem because we haven't done a comprehensive enough study.

Mr. Sampson: I think the advantage of the study is that it gives us a platform to pursue engineering dollars. I love studies but I know we have some issues in our city particularly along Dysart ditch with stream bank erosion that it would give us the documentation that we need to go after engineering grants, so that's my incentive.

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- b. Ordinance Appropriating Funds from Unappropriated French Creek Footbridge Fund to an Account in Miscellaneous Distributions and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Sampson: Thank you Mr. Cotner. The pedestrian bridge near Lancaster was damaged during the recent flood and we repaired the structural issues that were caused by the flooding but I then discovered with conversations with Mr. Harris that back in the 1960s a resident donated \$4000 to this bridge. We propose to use this donation to power wash and repaint the bridge. It's a cute bridge and its a functional bridge that kids and pedestrians use to come across the creek to get to the school and Old Reynoldsburg. Both the abutments and bridge are now in good condition. I believe the resident would have appreciated us using their money to improve the aesthetic quality of the bridge and its been sitting there for a long time.

Mr. Clemens: Is the bridge safe now?

Mr. Sampson: It is safe, we had a bridge inspector come out after the damage and give us a report that we then turned over to a contractor and we had to do some welding to make it structurally sound but the abutments were redone by EMH&T back in the 90s and they're still in great shape but its a steel span bridge but its very functional and safe and we have an opportunity to improve the aesthetics.

Mr. Cotner: So the amount we're looking at is \$3473 so there is still over \$4000 in that account so there will be a little bit left over?

Mr. Harris: There is \$3473 is all that's left.

Mr. Cotner: This will close that account out then.

Mr. Sampson: and we'll get a little bit of a revision of a long standing structure in the city so it's a win win.

Mr. Cotner: do you know the name of the persons that donated that in the 60s?

Mr. Sampson: I don't, I'd like to so I could reach out to them.

Mr. Harris: I don't think we have any documents or records.

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- c. A Resolution Accepting, Approving and Ratifying the Submitted Recommendations of Several City of Reynoldsburg Tax Incentive Review Councils; and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Havener: I'm here tonight to request your approval of the minutes for the TIRC meetings that were held July 20 with Franklin, Licking and Fairfield Counties and I can answer any questions you might have on those minutes.

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- d. Ordinance Requesting Council to Appropriate \$650,000.00 from the Unappropriated CIP Fund (410) to Account #410.000.0148.5659, and Declaring it an Emergency.

Mr. Sampson: Thank you. This is just a request to provide funding for both the demolition as well as to keep the design services moving forward. We're on schedule, we're interviewing the construction managers tomorrow and we'll come back to Council with a recommendation for a construction manager and have them on board in the next 4-6 weeks but again the demolition schedule, the design schedule, everything is on track and my goal is to keep us there.

Mr. Long; So you're transferring this money to cover the management the design specialist but also the demolition. We're passing legislation allowing to you accept bids for demolition companies, so the provision of the money in here isn't automatically spent, depending on the bids coming in and what the amounts are going to be it could be higher or lower.

Mr. Sampson: We anticipate again, based on other communities, what we've researched thus far is we're anticipating it will be lower than that amount. The intent is not to have to come back to Council twice, we want to get the demolition scheduled but again that's going to include, we're doing the majority, the swimming pool, the house beside the banquet facility this year and we're under lease until the end of the year with the bingo hall and we will do that, so we've reached out to Truro Township and they're going to be demolishing their fire station to see if we can get some sort of a joint cost savings, they've got to demolish their fire station so we're working out those details right now. Again to continue funding design services.

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- e. Ordinance Appropriating Funds from Unappropriated General Fund to an Account in the Parks & Recreation Department and Declaring an Emergency. (Passage at Second Reading).

Mrs. Bauman: Thank you Chairman Cotner. I'm asking for \$3,815.00 to be appropriated into line item 110.340.5215 Parks and Recreation Rec Supplies. This is money we've received in sponsorships this year so far.

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- f. An Ordinance Authorizing and Directing the Mayor to Enter into Contract to Purchase Real Property to be Used by the City of Reynoldsburg; Appropriating Funds Therefore and Declaring it an Emergency.

Mayor McCloud: Thank you Chairman Cotner, members of Council. What you have before you would authorize me to enter into a contract to purchase the property at Lancaster and Main that has been vacant forever and this also includes and appropriation.

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- g. Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor

Mr. Harris: This is the administrative thing we get back every year from the tax budget. This was a procedure that was started back when the 10 mil levy was passed back in the early 1900s when they actually did change it every year and in the early 30s sometime they made it permanent but they still want this passed. This first one is the one from Franklin County.

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- h. Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor.

Mr. Harris: This is the companion one for Licking County, these both have to be back to the County by October 1.

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i. Ordinance Appropriating Funds from the Unappropriated Income Tax Fund

Mr. Harris: With the passage of the tax levy back in May, this is one of the things that came out of that. We have a contractual obligation to share revenue from the Enterprise Zone at the Limited facility up on Broad Street. It's a percentage of what we collect, now that we're collecting more, they have to be paid more so I'll have to have an appropriation to meet our contractual obligations. I don't need this until November so you can take however many readings you want as long as we get it done in time.

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j. ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Sections 949.07 Water Meter Service Fee and 949.08 Charge for Testing Meter of Chapter 949 Water Regulations.

Mr. Hellman: The first of this 949.07 is for customers that wish to have their meters tested based on accuracy. The \$30 that I raised it to is in line with what everyone else charges. If you were to send it off it would cost you about \$45- 50.

Mr. Long: If I suspect I have something wrong with my water meter and you come out, there's nothing wrong with the meter, you're going to charge me \$30.

Mr. Hellman: If there is nothing wrong with it, at the bottom of this it says no charge to customer if the measuring outside the 2% of accuracy, immediate replacement of the water meter will be the result.

Mr. Long: Right I just wanted to make sure that was read.

Mr. Hellman: That's because we pay for the water we charge.

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- k. ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Amending Sections 953.01 Water Rate Schedule; Section 953.04 Charges Billed Quarterly; Late Payment Penalty; Section 953.06 Discontinuance of Service; and Section 953.09 Special Charges of Chapter 953 Water Charges.

Mr. Hellman: This is for the water rate schedule to make the deposit fees the same as all to make it fair the purpose of this water deposit is in the event the customer bails on paying the water bill, it will recover some of that cost before going to assessment.

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- l. Ordinance Making Supplemental Appropriation for Debt Service Payments. (First Reading 7/24/2017).

Mr. Harris: This one carried over from break. There are 4 additional appropriations that I need to make debt service payments, one is in the water fund, one is in the storm water fund. We issued debt earlier in the year in bonds to a bank and I have to make a debt service payment this year that was not in the budget so obviously I need an additional appropriation to pay those. The other 2 are the Taylor Road TIF and the Brice Road TIF. Columbus did a reappraisal on properties, taxes went up therefore I have to write the schools a bigger check so I'll need an appropriation to do that also. This you can take the whole 3 readings, no emergency.

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