

City of Aurora, Ohio
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES
January 14, 2019

The Committee of the Whole of the City of Aurora, Ohio met in Council Chambers at City Hall on Monday, January 14, 2019, for the purpose of holding a regular public meeting. Committee Chairman John Kudley, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Reva Barner
 Kathi Grandillo
 Harold Hatridge
 George Horvat
 Dennis Kovach
 John Kudley, Jr.
 James Vaca
 Scott Wolf

Absent: Amy McDougald

Also Present: Ann Womer Benjamin, Mayor
 Tim Clymer, Finance Director
 Dean DePiero, Law Director
 Laura Holman, Director of Parks and Recreation
 Kris Allen, Executive Assistant to the Mayor
 Harry Stark, Director of Public Services
 Jack Burge, Director of Economic and Entrepreneurial Development
 Frank Desimone, IT Manager
 Brian Byard, Police Chief
 Donna Hawks, Clerk of Council
 April Secura, Deputy Clerk of Council

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Approval of the December 17, 2018, Meeting minutes

Mr. Hatridge moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a Unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Barracuda Backup Upgrade

Ms. Aldredge said the current backup server is at capacity. She provided several reasons why. She said the best solution is to upgrade one step to the Barracuda 891. She said the city is able to trade-in the current Barracuda server for a credit. She said the cost of the new server is \$26,250.00.

Mr. Hatridge asked now that Mr. Desimone is in-house if the current equipment in place capable of doing what is needed.

Ms. Aldredge said yes, a very extensive tour was done throughout out the buildings and everything is completely fine. She said the servers generally are replaced every 2-3 years. She said this one did not make it that long because of the added security cameras.

MOTION: To Council this evening for consideration

Mr. Hatridge moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Senior Coordinator Position – Changing to Fulltime Status

Ms. Aldredge said the city is looking to make the positon fulltime and is going through the process.

MOTION: To Council this evening for first reading

Ms. Grandillo moved; Mr. Hatridge seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote

Contract – Jack Burge, Director of Economic Development and Entrepreneur in Residence

Mayor Womer Benjamin said Mr. Burge has served the city exceedingly well for the past five years she has worked with him. She said he continues in the same capacity at a director's level position. She said his salary as stated is \$45,000. She said when he was reviewed in October she told him she wants monthly reports on his various activities and this provisions.

MOTION: To Council this evening for consideration

Mr. Hatridge moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Employees Generally

Ms. Aldredge said included on the employees generally the individual who will be the Information Technology Manager.

Mr. Hatridge welcomed Mr. Frank Desimone as the new IT Manager.

MOTION: To Council this evening for consideration

Mr. Hatridge moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Employees Generally - Annual

Ms. Aldredge said the employees generally is the annual schedule.

MOTION: To Council this evening for consideration

Mr. Hatridge moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a 6-0-2 roll call vote.

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Horvat, Kovach, Wolf

NAYS: Kudley, Vaca

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn

Mr. Hatridge moved; Ms. Barner seconded. The motion carried on unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.