

City of Aurora, Ohio
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2019

The Committee of the Whole of the City of Aurora, Ohio met in Council Chambers at City Hall on Monday, February 11, 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 Eckard

Also Present: Ann Womer Benjamin
 Tim Clymer, Finance Director
 Dean DePiero, Law Director
 Denise Januska, Director of Planning, Zoning and Building
 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
 Brian Byard, Police Chief
 Donna Hawks, Clerk of Council
 April Secura, Deputy Clerk of Council

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Approval of the February 11, 2019, Meeting minutes

Mr. Kovach moved; Ms. Barner seconded. The motion carried on an 8-0 voice vote. Ms.

MOTION: To amend the agenda by adding the Finance Director's report; and as "item c"
2019 Chelmsford Drive Emergency Culvert Repair bid award

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

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

(See Attached)

Mr. Clymer stated the City of Aurora received an award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States called the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. He explained this means the annual report that is provided to the public is the gold standard best report the city could provide.

Mr. Kudley and Mr. Horvat congratulated Mr. Clymer.

MOTION: To accept the Finance Director's Report

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

NEW BUSINESS

2019 Vehicle Purchase – Police Department

Chief Byard said the Police Department is requesting approval to purchase (3) 2019 Ford Explorer SUVs from Liberty Ford. He said quotes were also received from Lebanon Ford and Liberty Ford was \$100.00 cheaper. He said both are state bid pricing so that is as low as it can go.

Mr. Hatridge asked regarding the 2016 SUV if they usually get more use out of a vehicle like that. Chief Byard explain the vehicles are on a rotation cycle and they usually trade the 3 oldest each year. Chief Byard said one of the older vehicles will go to the Detective Bureau and they will get a few more years out of it.

MOTION: To Council this evening for first reading

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

Employees Generally

Mayor Womer Benjamin said there are two fulltime positions on the employees generally. She said the first is for a Service Supervisor who is replacing the one that resigned; and the second for the new fulltime Senior Coordinator position that will go into effect February 13 after the Civil Service Commission addresses the issue. She said also included is a part-time sports monitor to add some backup.

Mr. Hatridge asked if the Service Supervisor has previous experience.

Mayor Womer Benjamin said he was by far the recommended candidate. She said she believes he has prior experience in the private sector.

Mr. Stark said he worked 15 years for Chagrin Falls; and during that time he was in the National Guard. He said after 911 he joined the Army fulltime and retired on February 5. Mr. Stark said he was by far the best candidate.

MOTION: To Council this evening for consideration

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

2019 Chelmsford Drive Emergency Culvert Repair – Bid Award

Mr. Stark said twelve bids were received and the recommended bidder is Fabrizi Paving and Trucking in the amount of \$378,913.60. He said Fabrizi did the Hurd Road Waterline Project last year and did an excellent job.

Ms. Barner asked how long the project will take and if there will be any interruption with traffic flow.

Mr. Stark said yes, on Chelmsford at the cull de sac area. He said at times there will be some restrictions as they are putting in the new culvert. He said as far as the timeline they should be mobilizing and getting started within the next four weeks. He said it will approximately 5 months total from today to complete.

Mr. Wolf asked if this is the same size culvert that was installed on Chatham. Mr. Start said that was a dual and this is a single. Mr. Wolf said that would explain the significantly lower cost.

MOTION: To Council this evening for consideration

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

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

John Kudley, Jr., Chairman

Donna Hawks, Clerk of Council