

Police-Fire-Engineering-Service Committee Meeting Notes

May 3, 2016

Attendees: Council Members Beth McDaniel and Carolyn Smiley-Robertson, Mayor Richard Finan, Mike Hauck, Jim Bothe, James Jeffers, Don Mercer, Dave Elmer, Cynthia Caracci, Stiney Vonderhaar, and Caroline Duffy. Council Member John Ranz was absent – excused.

Council Member Beth McDaniel chaired the meeting in Chairman Ranz's absence.

Fire Department Report

Chief Hauck reported that the Village received an offer to purchase Evendale's old engine truck from Stonelick Township for \$15,000 today. The expectation of the Committee was to receive an offer of at least \$20,000. Chief Hauck also noted that Woodlawn may have interest in purchasing Evendale's old engine truck since their Fire Department has had significant problems with their new engine truck. Chief Hauck will discuss the engine truck's availability at the Fire Chiefs' meeting tomorrow to see if there are other offers forthcoming.

Chief Hauck announced that Rob Haines is planning to retire this summer. He indicated that the Firefighter Eligibility List will expire in August without an extension. Chief Hauck needs permission from Council and Mayor Finan to extend the Firefighter Eligibility List for another year. The Committee concurred with the recommendation to extend the eligibility list for another year.

Police Department

Chief Korte is recommending passage of an ordinance to exclude 18 wheelers (trucks) that have two wheels up from violations under a current ordinance. The ordinance is expected to be on the Council Meeting Agenda for the May meeting. After much discussion regarding the need for the original ordinance and resulting enforcement issues, the Committee agreed to recommend passage of the ordinance.

Service Department

Jim Bothe reported that the new Service Department truck will arrive at the dealership the week of May 16th. The truck still has to be outfitted for snow equipment.

The Service Department will hire 5 seasonal employees who will start on May 9th. Four of the seasonal employees are Evendale residents. The non-resident seasonal employee hire worked for the Service Department last year. She is viewed as a very good worker and an asset to the Service Department.

Engineering

James Jeffers reported on several items that were contained in his report emailed earlier today.

Thru the Valley: James Jeffers and Dave Elmer met with IBI to go through the changes recommended by Mayor Finan and Council. They will also be meeting with the design team on Thursday. Mr. Jeffers agreed to follow-up with Council after this meeting. He also indicated the need to expedite design documentation because of deadlines for delivery to ODOT to prevent impacting the bidding process.

Plans have been submitted to ODOT for the Reading Road project. The project is expected to take one month to complete.

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Other items from the Engineer's Report:

- Reading Road Landscaping - planting has begun.
- There is a sink hole in front of TLC on Cooper Road. The cause is unknown at this time. The plan is to get it fixed as soon as possible.
- TLC Demolition project – needs an asbestos survey certification completed before demolition can begin. James Jeffers contacted Rainbow Environmental Services, Inc. to get the survey done. Once the survey is completed the demolition plan can be submitted to the EPA for approval. Demolition is expected to begin later this month.
- Evendale Commons/Kinetic Vision – The plans for the design of the pond have been received and forwarded to MSP for landscape design.
- Campus Sign(s) – James Jeffers presented the latest design. It was noted that no money was budgeted for the sign. Mayor Finan suggested savings from TLC Demolition Project may be enough to cover the cost of the sign(s). Originally, \$150,000 was budgeted for the demolition. Cynthia Caracci confirmed that only \$73,800 is needed for TLC demolition. The sign project
- Is still waiting on the new Evendale logo to be completed to be inserted in the sign. The top (roof) is supposed to be green to match our buildings and Thru-the-Valley concept. Council Member Beth McDaniel would like to view the green color to see if it is acceptable. The final design will then be reviewed with all of Council for approval.

Code Enforcement

Council will be receiving a Zoning Enforcement Report in May. He is addressing several situations recently brought to Council's attention. Don will make sure that Council gets a copy of both the Building Permits Issued Report and the Zoning Enforcement Report every month.

Mayor's Report

The estimate for a contract to rebrand the Village logo was received. Mayor Finan would like to remove the Latin words and make a few other changes. He also noted that Evendale received a \$10,000 grant for new recycling bins. The bins will have the new brand on them. He expects the new branding to be completed by the end of July.

The Mayor noted the Charter Review Commission has proposed four new Charter Amendments:

- Eliminates provision that you cannot run for another office if you are currently on Council.
- Changes the title of Assistant to the Mayor title to Chief Administrative Officer.
- Replaces the current requirement that the Charter Committee meets every 5 years with a provision that 5 residents can request a Charter Review at any time, circulate a petition to obtain (100 or 150?) residents' signatures for the purpose of putting new provisions to a vote of the residents.
- Eliminates the need of an appointed Council Member to run for office two years in a row by adding the words "municipal general election" to the verbiage currently in the Charter.

Assistant to the Mayor's Report

Dave Elmer asked if the Committee had a chance to review the FMLA Policy and Transition to Work Policy that was distributed at last month's meeting. An ordinance to approve the hiring of a consultant to administer these policies will be on Council's May Agenda. Council Member Smiley-Robertson questioned the need for some of the services listed in the document. Dave Elmer indicated that while

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many services were listed, only the services related to FMLA Administration and Transition to Work were being proposed for the contract. The Committee was in support of the proposed ordinance.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, June 13th @ 5pm.**