

Fire, Police, Service, Engineering,
and Code Enforcement Council Committee
September 6, 2016

Attendees: Councilmembers McDaniel, Smiley-Robertson, and Ranz. Fire Chief Hauck, Police Chief Korte, Service Director Bothe, Village Engineer Jeffers and Village Building Commissioner Mercer. Also attending Mayor Finan, Mayor's Assistant Dave Elmer, Village Fiscal Officer Carracci, and resident Stiney Vonderhaar.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

FIRE: Hiring ordinance on Tuesday Council meeting agenda to hire Robert (Jason) Hudnall. Mayor has authorized the Fire Department to begin the hiring process again due to an expected retirement in April of 2017. The list from the 2015 hiring process has been exhausted. Department is considering 3rd party testing for the written test. A joint police and fire committee working with the service department has recommended Motorola radios for the new radio replacements. Cost for the fire department is expected to be approximately \$160,000 which will be split between the 2017 and 2018 capital budgets. Tier 2 capital item requests for 2016 were discussed and decision will be made in October.

POLICE: The expected cost for replacement of the police department radios is approximately \$92,000 which will also be split between the 2017 and 2018 capital budgets. The testing of body cameras is ongoing. Started with 11 different cameras, we are now down to 2 finalists. Taser camera has been eliminated due to the \$57,000 annual service contract. Evaluation is on-going. Mayor has also authorized the Police Department to begin the hiring process due to an expected retirement mid-2017. In order to attract a wider pool of candidates with the characteristics the Village desires, Chief requested to allow for military experience in lieu of the current 2 year college requirement. The new requirement for any candidate will be a high school graduate, 21 years or older, with at least one of the following requirements; 2 years of college, a DD214 which shows an honorable discharge, or current active military duty. In addition, a condition of employment will be that someone not already having 2 years of college will be required to obtain that within 3 years from their date of employment. The Mayor and committee agreed to these changes.

SERVICE: An ordinance will be on the Tuesday council agenda for the Residential Dead Tree removal program. Committee is recommending approval with emergency clause since the weather window to get this completed is closing. There is a flooding problem with a storm drain behind a resident's house on Kingsport. James Jeffers will evaluate and report back to the committee next month. There is also some blockage in the Mill Creek by Brendamours which is being looked into.

ENGINEERING: The Reading Rd. project will be bid by ODOT in February 2017, with construction expected to start in the spring. IBI has submitted final drawings to ODOT for the Thru the Valley project. ODOT has 2 weeks to review and come back to us with their assessment & comments. Final drawings will be due in October. It is expected that ODOT will bid this project in early spring 2017 with construction to commence in late 2017. TLC demolition & grading is complete.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Nothing to report.

OTHER BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

At 5:20 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Mrs.McDaniels and seconded by Mrs.Smiley-Robertson.