

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 26, 2001

7:45 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Service Committee

*L. Nicholas Hogan, Chairman
Michael O'Brien
Donald R. Shepherd
Rebecca W. Stinchcomb, ex officio
Karl Wetherholt, ex officio
Roland P. Hall, ex officio*

Members Present: Michael O'Brien, L. Nicholas Hogan and Donald R. Shepherd

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES

Isobel Sherwood, Jerry Isler, Tom Weber, Tom Komlanc, Col. Roland Hall, Karl Wetherholt

ISSUES - From Director of Public Service:

Permission to Bid - 2001 Police Cruisers

Col. Hall stated that they have the money appropriated to buy four new police cruisers; the specified vehicle will be the Ford Crown Victoria. Hogan advised that Chevrolet has come out with a new Caprice model and Service might want to look at the Caprice also. Shepherd indicated that it is the new Impala that Chevrolet has come out with. Col. Hall also indicated that they are looking at selling the four Caprice police cruisers.

RECOMMENDATION: Motion Resolution, Consent Agenda.

Police Bays - New Overhead Doors

Col. Hall stated that when the bids came in, it was discovered that we could replace all eight doors which includes paint and installation; the money has been appropriated.

RECOMMENDATION: Motion Resolution, Consent Agenda.

PENDING LEGISLATION:

ORD-0033-2001

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH EVANS MECHWART HAMBLETON AND TILTON, INC., FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE MORSE ROAD CULVERT; TO SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATE \$14,000 THEREFOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Wetherholt stated that the construction contract has run over by \$8,565.00; City of Columbus has been invoiced for their portion of \$60,000 and we should be receiving their payment soon; advised that a supplemental would be needed to pay the contractor.

O'Brien had questions from Councilmember Angelou regarding the Morse Road Culvert; they were (1) there is no warning for drivers advising that there is a bump when you get into this area; can a temporary sign be put up advising drivers of the bump ahead; (2) on Clark State Road near Peace Lutheran the street is extremely muddy on Hamilton & Clark State. Shepherd stated that the only thing being done in that area are new homes being built. Wetherholt advised that he knows the contractor building the homes and will speak with them about the mud; believes that probably mud is coming off the tires on the trucks of the contractors and builders.

Recommended for Adoption, Consent

ISSUES - From City Engineer:

Morse Road Culvert - Funding Issues

Wetherholt indicated that the construction contract has run over by \$8,865.00 and since that was all 2000 funds we need a supplemental to pay for that now.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading.

East Industrial Sewer, Improvement #727

Wetherholt indicated that the bidding for this project opened February 23, 2001; given the problems we have had in the past, we are recommending a 10% contingency which brings the total amount to \$254,000; also have the inspection contract from EMH&T for \$23,000 which will come from the SSCI Fund and go into the Sewer TIF.

O'Brien asked why the project can't be completed in the time needed. Wetherholt stated he believes the project can be done by the completion date of August 2001. O'Brien asked what is the possibility of something slowing down or hindering the project. Wetherholt stated that we could encounter a bad batch of soil; the contractor is Savko and he is familiar with various types of issues when they arise and how to correct them. O'Brien asked how long would it take to install a pumping station. Wetherholt responded that it would take approximately two months; if we are delayed for whatever reason, we could pump out of the manhole on a daily basis to keep the service going. O'Brien asked when we will break ground on the sewer. Wetherholt stated on or around April 1.

Wetherholt also stated that we have an agreement with Don Kenney for an additional manhole which would determine the elevation of the pipe under Taylor Road; there is actually one manhole built on the project already; what this did was cause us to create a cost overrun of \$908; a supplemental is needed to cover the overage so that we can reimburse Don Kenney. Wetherholt made reference to Ord. 990326 and Ord. 0236-2000.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading bring back to committee.

Resolution of Necessity, Storm Sewer #743

Wetherholt stated this is the Crossroads project; bought easements from Krupman; Krupman sold property to Ken Singh; during construction of the project the contractor placed a portion of the storm sewer off the easement, the property is owned by Singh who has no problem with the easement, but is opposed to the storm sewer system; the contractor and the developer have tried to negotiate with Singh a settlement for a piece of the property to make the storm sewer properly covered by the easement; really it is the contractor and developers' problem but Singh told them the only way he would permit this action was if he was forced; told the people at Exxcel we would use eminent domain process if they paid our legal fees and any cost incurred; the developer agrees it would be cheaper to file than to dig and they will pay the City's legal expenses up to \$26,000 which is the cost of digging.

O'Brien asked Wetherholt how does a contractor put a sewer in the wrong place. Wetherholt said the surveyor had been out and surveyed the area and placed stakes where to dig, however, the contractor moved everything over.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading; 2nd Reading, Consent Agenda.

Beecher Road Design with Hamilton Road Widening

Wetherholt stated that Komlanc did a study needs of Beecher Road and found out it will need to be widened; City has \$12,000 that was donated by Larry Canini for the purpose of the widening project on Beecher Road; this was accepted by Ordinance 0009-2001; the estimated cost for the design work in Phase I is \$11,966. Komlanc stated that in

2002 Phase II of the design work is estimated at \$21,140 which will include the detailed construction and utility construction.

1st Reading; 2nd Reading, Consent Agenda.

TechCenter Drive Extension - Engineering

Wetherholt indicated that the money was appropriated in 2001; need an ordinance to expand the scope of the design work. Isler stated we need an ordinance to amend the contract.

South Stygler Road Design

Wetherholt stated they went back and reviewed the design from EMH&T; proposal was higher than the allocated amount of \$50,000 for the project; EMH&T is asking how far back from the intersection do we need to be, as well as other questions; their bid package will cover portions of the West Gahanna gateway; legislation is needed to authorize Mayor to enter into contract with EMH&T.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading, Consent Agenda.

CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Time Warner/AOL Merger

Sherwood stated that she looked at what was done with Coaxial; also that Weber would just like to do something for future tracking

RECOMMENDATION: Motion Resolution.

MONITOR ITEMS:

2001-0012

Monitor Items:

- 1) Morse 62 Interim Improvement
- 2) Dunbarton Road Sewer

Tanya Maria Word, Deputy Clerk of Council, reporting