

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

6:00 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Finance Committee

*Thomas R. Kneeland, Chair
Beryl D. Anderson
Thomas C. Evers
Shane Ewald
John McAlister
Nancy R. McGregor
David L. Samuel*

Members Absent: Thomas C. Evers

Members Present: Thomas R. Kneeland, Shane W. Ewald, John McAlister, Nancy R. McGregor, Beryl D. Anderson and David L. Samuel

Additional Attendees:

Angel Mumma, Jerry Isler, Mayor Stinchcomb, Tony Collins, Troy Euton, Donna Jernigan, Tom Weber, Karl Wetherholt, Terry Emery, Dottie Franey, Kristen Treadway, Deputy Chief Bell, AMP Ohio Rep Terry Leach, Press

PENDING LEGISLATION

ORD-0102-2008

TO ADOPT THE FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN, DATED DECEMBER, 2007

Kneeland called the meeting to order; reminded all that tours of the New Albany Service Complex and the Gahanna Service Complex were scheduled to leave at 6:30 p.m.; first agenda item is Ordinance-0102-2008 which is the Fiscal Impact Analysis; this should be postponed until July; let's bring it back to the next Finance Committee meeting in 4 weeks to get it ready for July.

Recommendation: Finance Committee Agenda for June 23, 2008

Recommended for Postponement to a Date Certain

ISSUES - From Director of Human Resources:

Supplemental Appropriation - H.R. Miscellaneous Account

Treadway said this request is for supplemental financing for our account that finances driver's license reviews and a bigger issue, Worker's Compensation and physical fitness medical exams; we are already using it this year; we need additional funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 through the end of the year; this is an account where the money is used only if needed. Kneeland asked Jernigan if she had all required information. Jernigan said she had all needed information.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent, no need to come back, 2nd Reading, Consent

ISSUES - From Director of Parks & Recreation

Waive Bidding Process for Parks Shelter Materials Package for Hannah Farms Park

Collins said we would like to waive the bidding process for the Shelter Package for Hannah Park; we can waive the bid process because we have been working this issue for a month; we know this is the firm we want to deal with, RCP Shelters, Inc. and the time line we have to get it done; need to waive the bid option and have waiver and emergency on the requested legislation of \$77,825. Weber said he had no problem with this as waiver of bid is authorized by Code.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent, Waiver of 2nd Reading, Emergency Language

Purchase Light Fixtures and Poles - Hannah Farms Park Project

Collins said we are requesting authorization for the purchase of light poles and fixtures for Hannah Park from Loeb Electric; price will not exceed \$25,000; waiver and emergency are requested because of our tight time frame.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent, Waiver of 2nd Reading, Emergency Language

Purchase Shelter Materials Package - Hannah Farms Park

See discussion under Waive Bidding Process for Shelter Materials.

ISSUES - From Clerk of Council

2008 Mid Year Codification

Jernigan said she wanted to advise Council that the Ordinance for approval of the mid-year codification is coming.

RES-0011-2008 - Grow Ohio's Economy

McAlister said he had emailed the revised copy of the Grow Ohio's Economy Resolution; feel it is straight-forward; any questions on it? Kneeland said the resolution made reference to studies, and reference points are given that aren't explained. Ewald said backup data is needed for those. McAlister said last week you asked if we could write this with the source included rather than using "whereas" clauses; now it has the source information and you want back up data. Kneeland said we just need to know about the organizations mentioned and where we find this; we could Google the organizations identified. Anderson said that would provide statistics and more detailed information; feel McAlister did a good job and thank him for his effort.

Recommendation: Regular Council Agenda

ISSUES - From Director of Public Service

IGS Contract Amendment

Emery said we are a community in the Central Ohio Public Energy Council; it is a consortium of suburbs that provides a program for our citizens to receive the optimum pricing for gas utilization; we would like to modify our existing agreement to change the termination clause from a 60 day notification to an intent to terminate prior to March 31 of a given year; determined this is in our best interest; we are using AMP Ohio as our consultant; they purchase throughout the year for the best price for the next year. Kneeland asked if there were questions and there were none; all documentation was received.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent, no need to come back, 2nd Reading, Consent

Franklin County Board of Health Mosquito Control Agreement

Emery said the Franklin County Board of Health has an approved contract with Vector Disease Control for mosquito control; it includes 28 communities in the county and we want to keep up the program; gauged the community and polled the districts and most agreed to have the enhanced program being offered; Franey provided a handout. Mayor said this is to enter into an agreement for a supplemental for Vector to serve Gahanna as part of the enhanced program. Emery said we think it is in the best interest of the community to be a part of the program; the rate for 2008 is \$6,479. Anderson clarified it is 28 communities in Franklin County only; asked about the side effects of

the products used for spray. Emery said the emphasis will be on public education and reduced breeding so we hopefully do not get into a spray situation very often that would create concern; the first 4 control aspects on the pamphlet are not about spraying. Anderson said the internal information on the pamphlet refers to DEET. Franey said many questions can be answered by their website. Emery said we try to stay in touch to find out when they will provide spray; then publish the information in the paper and put it on our website; that way residents can protect themselves, go inside and close windows; only certain areas may be affected; it is all done at night. Franey said she would check for the spray detail and provide an email. Euton said he previously worked with the county on this; they monitor water sources at our parks and use dunks to eliminate mosquitos before they hatch; use very mild substances as it does not take much to destroy these. Anderson said she would like to know about the sprays before agreeing to the consent agenda. Kneeland said it could be moved to the regular agenda if Franey has trouble finding the information.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent, no need to come back, 2nd Reading, Consent, Emergency Language

ISSUES - From the Chief of Police

School Resource Officer Contract Renewal

Deputy Chief Bell said we would like to renew the School Resource Officer contract; it is a positive, beneficial, successful program that should continue. Anderson asked how it is financed. McGregor said it is half and half; the schools pay for half and we pay the other half. Anderson said tell me about this job. Bell said they are in the schools during the academic year; during the summer they work in district 4 Olde Gahanna on bikes. Kneeland said you are requesting emergency and waiver; why is it urgent? Bell said it needs to be approved by the school board before they are gone for summer.

Recommendation: 1st Reading, Consent, Waiver of 2nd Reading, Emergency Language

Trip to New Albany Service Complex/Gahanna Oklahoma Ave. Complex

2007-0013

Monitor Items:

- 1) Whiteboard
- 2) Wireless Communication Legislation
- 3) Basement Renovation

McAlister said he would like to discuss and update the monitor items on the agenda; additionally would like to discuss a Creekside issue; are we on top of these monitor items? Emery said he had recently been in a wireless communication meeting with a consultant and Chris Miller; it was with the service providers such as Verizon, T Mobile, and Sprint; trying to give them a comfort level with what is coming; Planning Commission will get this June 11 and then forward on to Council. Kneeland said Whiteboard is on here and the basement renovation and they can be taken off; leave the wireless issue on here for the time being.

McAlister said he would like to appeal to the City to call on Mo Dioun and ask him not to evict the Seekers Cafe owner; he went through a very rough time during construction when he had no traffic and parking issues that we caused. Mayor said that this was business between Seekers Cafe and its landlord; not our responsibility. Kneeland said he would make a call.

Della Brandenberger, Reporting

