



City of Gahanna

Meeting Minutes

Public Service & Safety

Office of the Clerk of Council
200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Karen J. Angelou, Chair, Thomas R. Kneeland, Jamie Leeseberg

Kimberly McWilliams, CMC, Clerk of Council

Monday, March 24, 2014

7:00 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Immediately Following Finance

ROLL CALL:

Present 3 - Karen J. Angelou, Jamie Leeseberg, and Thomas R. Kneeland

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Joann Bury, Lt. Spence, Chief Murphy, Karl Wetherholt, Matt Holdren,
Dottie Franey.

ITEMS - From the Chief of Police:

DOC-0127-2014 Police Division Supporting Docs

Attachments: [PD 2014 Gahanna AWD 3 Charger](#)
[PD RCA](#)

1. Cruiser Purchase Authorization

Lt. Spence said we are requesting \$86,000 from unappropriated, unencumbered, balance of the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund (FLETf) for replacement of vehicles purchased in 2009; 3 cruisers; have aged almost 5 years; lowest mileage is 98,000 miles; in need of replacement; asking money to be encumbered; purchase through Hamilton County Multi-Agency Co-operative purchase agreement; will come back for separate ordinance from FLETf for upfitting and equipping those vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, no need to come back, 2nd reading, consent agenda.

ITEMS - From the Director of Public Service:

DOC-0128-2014 Service Supporting Docs

Attachments: [Service Report 3-24-14](#)
[Rebuild](#)
[CCTV and Sanitary Sewer Cleaning - Bid Summary](#)
[Sample AEP Energy Amendment](#)
[Overlay](#)
[Microsurface](#)
[SERVICE RCA](#)

1. **2014 CCTV & Sanitary Sewer Cleaning Project Contract**

Franey said some years ago the EPA imposed orders on municipalities for Capacity, Management, Operations and Maintenance (CMOM) for sanitary sewers; part of that is this survey that communities need to do; we have been hiring a company to come in and do a significant amount of cleaning and cameraing the lines for us; we bid it out; we are now doing an area of town where sewers are between 50-60 years old; \$84,834.40 is the price; we are asking for legislation authorizing mayor to enter into contract with United Resource, LLC; there has been money carried over and we are hoping to encumber all of that so that way if we came upon areas needing additional work we would be able to have that done; this does far more than our camera; this project is over a period of years; the sanitary sewer evaluation survey is evaluating the entire system; once completed, the CMOM program will set up guidelines for ongoing maintenance. Angelou asked how far we are since 2009. Franey said don't know exact percentage; we are pretty far into it. Angelou asked if you have gotten information back. Franey said yes every year; we take that forward in making repairs; have found that we have a very tight system; that is the good news that is coming back. Angelou asked do you see this as an ongoing project. Franey said see us having some type of program every year for some type of maintenance; this goes through and marks what needs to be done. Kneeland asked about our camera truck; do we use that for targeting maintenance. Franey said we have some high priority lines; we have a regimented schedule for checking those lines; we definitely use it for that purpose; use it when we have a backup on a line; obviously use it to clear up backup; use camera to verify what caused the backup. Kneeland said how much affect will this have on rates. Franey said sanitary is one of the areas where we had extra funds from some years back; when EPA came up with these orders, we chose to set aside a lot of that money for these surveys, etc.; Gahanna is way ahead of the game. Kneeland asked what do communities do that can't do this. Franey said many fought it legally for a long time; Gahanna has charged what we need to maintain our lines; it was very expensive in the past; have tightened up our rates; evaluate what reserves we need to have, what expenses

and what do we need to cover those; EPA has notified other communities that their rates are too low. Kneeland asked will us doing this help to maintain our rates with Columbus; or do they raise at will. Franey said this wouldn't have anything to do with Columbus; the Columbus consent order is the consent order that Columbus got into because they have combined sewers and EPA ordered them to separate them; satellite communities use about 10% of the lines, so they are going to pass on 10% of the costs of those projects; charges are split up based on impervious areas; we break that down into ERUs and pass that on to customers. Angelou said combined sewers are only in City of Columbus. Franey said the theory is we use Columbus lines because ours go to the plant in Columbus. Leeseberg asked is there a benefit to participate in CMOM. Franey said CMOM is a requirement of EPA; genuinely believe it spells out the way you should maintain a sanitary sewer system. Wetherholt stated Gahanna had begun implementing many of those things long before the EPA mandated them. Angelou asked how many systems do we have where the roots are going through. Franey said it is all over the community; in every system.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, no need to come back, 2nd reading, consent agenda.

2. Permission to Bid Rock Salt

Franey said we are wanting permission to bid; won't actually bid until July; about 95 communities will bid through a cooperative called southwest Ohio Purchasers for Government (SWOP4G); you tell them quantity you think you will be using. Leeseberg asked if you reduced it. Franey said we will put in same amount; not required to purchase what you put down now. Kneeland asked about buying more for stockpiling. Franey said we always try to leave season with a full bin.

RECOMMENDATION: Motion Resolution, consent agenda.

3. Possible Renegotiation for Power to City Owned Facilities

Franey said we have been purchasing the generation portion of our electric bills through AEP Energy; our rate was \$65 per megawatt; that was set to expire in January 2013; came to you because AEP said it might be beneficial to blend the rate; we did that and the contract is now due to expire end of Jan. 2014; AEP contacted us seeing some factors that made the energy market volatile; thought it good to get in a position to lock in a rate in case a better rate showed up; original concern was things might get crazy; going rate was \$1,800 compared to our \$59; going rate right now is a little higher than our rate; hoping

to get an even lower rate and extend our contract; looking for same thing that was done last time; we can't lock a price unless we have permission and you don't want to approve a contract without a price; have attached a sample contract; would be just like the one you are seeing except we do not know the rate or length of contract; if not positive, we would not make any change at all and go to end of contract; asking to get ourselves in a position of locking in a rate; are also asking this be passed as emergency and with a waiver just so we can be in that position as soon as possible; would let you know once we know what that is.

Franey added an update regarding street information; Holdren had some great suggestions on how to put together a very organized communication plan on street maintenance program this summer. Kneeland asked about streets and how we document street maintenance; is there interest in documenting in more of a database environment. Holdren said it lives in a database now; was created in 2004 by Andrako; contains segments where work was performed, cost, and individual line items of work items; has been maintained; tied to GIS; rating on streets and recommendations for treatment and work done all lives inside GIS and drafting an end cost database. Kneeland said like to take some time to see that.

Franey said the 2013 report is on the website.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, consent agenda, waiver, emergency

Jayme Maxwell, CMC, Reporting