

# **City of Gahanna**

*200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, February 10, 2014**

**Immediately Following Finance Committee**

**Council Committee Rooms**

### **Public Service & Safety**

*Karen J. Angelou, Chair*

*Thomas R. Kneeland  
Jamie Leeseberg*

*Kimberly McWilliams, CMC, Clerk of Council*

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:**

Council President Larick, Council Member Schnetzer, Council Member Renner, City Attorney Ewald, Mayor Stinchcomb, Dottie Franey, Matt Holdren, Karl Wetherholt, Jennifer Teal, Clerk McWilliams, Press.

**DOC-0034-2014** Engineer & Services Documents

**ISSUES - From the City Engineer**

**1. Morse Road Widening - Columbus Cooperative Agreement**

Wetherholt stated the first item we have is the Morse Road widening from Trellis to the roundabout; it is a City of Columbus project; our share is a small portion of \$344,000 out of \$2.3 million; we are proposing to use county permissive tax funds for this; Columbus has requested a cooperative agreement similar to what we've done before; ORD-0119-2013 authorized an agreement for OPWC grant which was not awarded; now we need a financial agreement to pay them our share; requesting an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement and a supplemental appropriation to have this in place when money arrives. Angelou asked for a timeline. Wetherholt answered this Summer. Larick stated this was hoped to be paid for out of grant. Teal stated it was projected for 2015 and is happening sooner. Wetherholt explained permissive tax money is held by the county for specific projects that meet all requirements; we apply for money from county, then it gets accepted into our permissive tax fund.

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

**2. Sycamore Run Stream Restoration - Inspection Contract**

Wetherholt stated Council has the contract that is under way; we need to have inspection services which will come about the time the ordinance passes; need legislation to authorize contract for EMH&T to be inspectors; they were the consultants that did the design work; asking for emergency to catch up to the contract.

**RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, no need to come back, consent agenda, emergency.**

**3. Clark State Resurfacing - County Reimbursement**

Wetherholt stated the City received permissive tax money to pave Clark State Road; the County paved a section of Clark State Road; a portion was in City limits; requested money in the amount of \$44,680 from County; received check on that but was not appropriated into the account; need to do a supplemental appropriation to take it from the permissive tax fund at Gahanna and put it into a spendable fund; they will take the unused portion and put it back into the account that County carries for us; they will take the other part and reimburse us.

**RECOMMENDATION: 1st reading, no need to come back, consent agenda, emergency legislation.**

## **ISSUES - From the Director of Public Service**

### **1. Permission to Bid Solid Waste Collection Hauling**

Franey stated Gahanna is part of a refuse consortium; we are currently in the last year of the base contract; do have the option to extend it for 3 additional 1 year periods; consortium decided it is in our best interest to bid it out; asking for motion resolution authorizing us to go out to bid; through consortium.

**RECOMMENDATION: motion resolution; consent agenda**

### **2. Permission to Bid Recycling Services**

Franey stated Rumpke has the largest recycling complex around; if we bid recycling processing with hauling, they would have an unfair advantage; want to bid out recycling separate from hauling; bid hauling first; they will have to honor that; not looking to pay anything for recycling; requesting a motion resolution granting permission to bid recycling.

**RECOMMENDATION: motion resolution; consent agenda.**

### **3. "Then and Now" Payment for Sewer Capacity**

Franey stated this is a "then and now" payment permission; we pay City of Columbus for taps to our sanitary lines; when each quarter is done we add up how much we owe them; when 4th quarter of 2013 was calculated, we owed them \$41,604 but only had \$30,574 encumbered in 2013; the remaining balance of \$11,030 will need to be paid from a 2014 purchase order; since that is over the \$3,000 threshold, we need approving legislation. Mayor added it is good news that we had more taps than planned.

**RECOMMENDATION: motion resolution, consent agenda.**

#### 4. Copier Lease

Franey stated we currently lease 2 fax machines and 14 copiers that also act as printers; current lease will end in April; terms of the lease would return machines to vendor; new 48 month lease; we end up with 2 additional copiers; exact same price as now and lower per copy charge on 2 copiers that were older. Kneeland asked are these leases or existing copiers that we only have some service contract to maintain. Franey stated they will look at the ones most used, those will come out; some others will be redirected; some new ones come in; they are replacing 8 of the most heavily used copiers, mostly in City Hall; 4 stay in current locations; relocate 4 lesser used copiers, 2 to service garage and other to fleet maintenance facility; 2 relocated to get rid of old or hand-me-downs at Police Station.

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

#### 5. Property/Liability Insurance Renewal

Franey stated we have been with Ohio Municipal Joint Insurance Pool (OMJIP) for about 10 years now; asking to enter into another 3 year agreement with OMJIP; over 10 years we have experienced 2 reductions to their base rate; exposure will adjust based on what you are covering; they're extending flat rates with this renewal; their service is excellent; in addition to rates being very competitive, they've changed structure; about 6 years ago, if you agree to 3 year terms, you can spread out how you pay surplus and save money by paying more up front; they also have said that for a 3 year term, they would keep base rate the same if you maintain 55% or less loss ratio; Gahanna has had a very good loss ratio; they have done a lot of things to keep rates low; we are recommending taking the 2nd option for surplus; the 1st would have the standard rate \$527,640 for 3 year term; can get a reduction of almost \$7,000 with option number 2 where we pay 50% of surplus in first year; 25% in each additional year.

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

#### 6. UPDATE - Treatment for Gypsy Moths

Franey said tomorrow night here at City Hall the Ohio Department of Agriculture will be presenting on treating for gypsy moths here in Gahanna from 6-8p.m.

Angelou asked for an update on salt. Franey answered we are still

struggling to get salt deliveries but continue to have enough for main roads. Angelou stated they have done a good job with what they have. Renner stated Wednesday and Thursday, Columbus streets were appalling but refreshing when a lot of Gahanna roads were clear; thanked Franey. Franey stated she is proud of everyone who helped; service, water and into parks; heavy snow. Larick asked how we handle folks who haven't moved vehicles. Franey said the Mayor offered to issue an order to move cars. Mayor stated we get a lot of feedback from the West Side; we have been handing out warnings before ticketing; some people have nowhere else to park; it would really be nice if people would try to move their cars; also would help if people would shovel their sidewalks; went door to door asking businesses to shovel their sidewalks; recognize it has been difficult, snow is heavy. Franey stated cars parked across from each other creates an enormous problem. Leeseberg asked if we can do some notification like how do we do for a paving job. Franey said that is done door to door with prior notice; at a prior meeting people were asked how they were doing on residential streets with no salt; overwhelming response was that people were doing okay; may start using less salt on flat residential streets.

### **Jayne Maxwell, CMC, Reporting**

*APPROVED by the Public Service & Safety, this  
day of 2014.*

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**Karen J. Angelou**