



COMMITTEE WORK SESSION NOVEMBER 1, 2010

Committee Members Present: Todd Bergstrom
Don Nicolard
Brenda Hlas
Bill Mowery (Arrived at 7:22 PM)
Ken Braman
Scott Pelot
Mike Zita

Also Present: Mayor David Koontz-Absent
Rick Ryland
John Moss
Pete Kostoff
Karla Richards
Ann Campbell

The Committee Work Session convened on Monday, November 1, 2010 at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers of the Safety Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Mike Zita, President of Council. Following a salute to the flag and the Pledge of Allegiance, there was a moment of silent prayer.

General Topics of Discussion:

Mrs. Hlas indicated that the first four (4) items on the agenda (2010 Final Budget Changes, 2010 Transfers & Advances, 2011 Budget, 2011 Transfers & Advances) are not ready for discussion tonight and would be continued to the next Work Session on November 15, 2010. Mr. Moss added that the 2010 Budget is suffering more cuts and the revenue is not as we expected. Mr. Moss indicated the exhibits would be ready for both of these for the next Work Session.

2011 Resolution for advance payment of funds

Mrs. Hlas indicated this was for the advance of funds from the County and is something we do at this time each year for payment in 2011. Mr. Moss stated this was correct and is for the first six (6) months of property taxes and helps the city out with cash flow, and needs to be adopted before the end of the year. Mrs. Hlas moved to place this on Council's next agenda, seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hlas, Pelot, Bergstrom, Nicolard, Braman, Zita
Nays: None

Motion passed 6-0.

2011 Food Ordinance

Mrs. Hlas stated this is something we do every year and allows for the expense of up to \$2.10 per person for gatherings. Mr. Moss indicated that this is mostly for two (2) events that he recalls, the annual planning workshops and mandatory safety meetings. Mr. Moss stated that we generally stay well below that amount. Mrs. Hlas moved to add this to Councils next agenda, seconded by Mr. Bergstrom.

Roll Call: Hlas, Bergstrom, Nicolard, Braman, Pelot, Zita
Nays: None

Motion passed 6-0.

PC Res. #15-2010 Text Amendments-Edits

Mr. Braman stated that this is due to the change in the zoning index as it relates to the adult businesses as we discussed before and it now has turned into three (3) different Ordinances, #110-2010, #111-2010 and #112-2010. Mr. Kostoff added that it makes it more complete by preparing these separately. Mr. Braman moved to add Ord. #110-2010 to Councils next agenda with emergency language, seconded by Mr. Pelot. Mr. Braman indicated that a public hearing would be required for each of these on November 22, 2010.

Roll Call: Yeas: Braman, Pelot, Bergstrom, Nicolard, Hlas, Zita
Nays: None

Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Braman moved to add Ord. #111-2010 to Councils next agenda with emergency language, seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yeas: Braman, Pelot, Bergstrom, Nicolard, Hlas, Zita
Nays: None

Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Braman moved to add Ord. #112-2010 to Councils next agenda with emergency language, seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yeas: Braman, Pelot, Bergstrom, Nicolard, Hlas, Zita
Nays: None

Motion passed 6-0.

2011 Legal Defender's Agreement

Mrs. Hlas stated this is something required each year with Summit County and Mr. Moss concurred. Mr. Nicolard asked if we didn't already do this sometime earlier this year? Mr. Kostoff replied that we might have because the County did not get this to us in time last year, however it is done on an annual basis and the fees are the same as last year. Mr. Kostoff added that this is for cases heard at the Barberton Municipal Court for 2011 for any indigent defendants, it is not the Norton Mayors Court. Mrs. Hlas moved to add this to Councils next agenda, seconded by Mr. Bergstrom.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hlas, Bergstrom, Nicolard, Braman, Pelot, Zita
Nays: None

Motion passed 6-0.

Unfinished Business:

Mr. Pelot inquired as to the status of the 4 way stop at Greenwich and Hametown Roads. Mr. Ryland replied that we have been unable to secure a delivery date for the new sign and once we have that we will issue a press release and legal advertisement.

New Business:

Mr. Nicolard discussed an issue of possibly presenting new legislation regarding street lighting. Mr. Nicolard stated that he didn't know what candle power the lights should be, and the fact that some of the newer allotments have underground wiring, which could add to the problem. Mr. Nicolard stated that the more light we can get to neighborhoods the less crime we will have. Mr. Kostoff stated that legislation would not be required, neighborhoods could seek petitions and present that to the city for an improvement. Mr. Kostoff stated that some communities do pick up the cost for the lighting and some place the entire cost to the homeowner. Mr. Ryland stated that it's mostly addressed in the zoning code as to what is planned out with new developments. Mr. Ryland indicated that a light pole cost averages about \$600.00 and then we pay the utility bill and we really have no formal process as of now. Mr. Pelot stated he recalled that with the new zoning regulations any new developer is required to install street lighting. Mr. Bergstrom asked if we have street lighting at ever intersection now and Mr. Ryland replied no. Mr. Bergstrom recalled the Ohio Edison used to have some sort of deal with the City of Akron for their street lighting. Mr. Ryland stated we also had some sort of agreement in the past, however that is no longer in effect. Mr. Kostoff stated he sees this as being a couple of issues here. One is the Safety Committee needs to meet with Ohio Edison. Secondly the Finance Committee should discuss areas that are most needed to be looked into. Mr. Nicolard felt this all should be turned over to the Safety Committee for the next meeting. Mr. Pelot stated we should have someone from Ohio Edison come and give a presentation to Council. Mr. Nicolard mentioned that the light on Cleveland-Massillon at Greefall is on all the time and needs reported to Ohio Edison.

Public Comment-Agenda and Non Agenda Items:

None

Topics for the next Work Session:

2010 Final Budget Changes
2010 Transfers & Advances
2011 Budget
2011 Transfers & Advances
Trash corrals requirements for local businesses

Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Committee Work Session, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Mike Zita, President of Council

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