

Board of Apportionment & Taxation City of Ansonia

The Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia held their regular meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Erlingheuser Room 2nd Floor of Ansonia City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to review and accept the tentative budget for the Uniform Fiscal Year 2010-2011 as presented by the Board of Aldermen. To consider requests for transfers of monies of all departments and/or new appropriations where funds are available to various departments. And any other business to come before said Board and Executive Session if necessary.

Members Present

Boran
Commune
Kennedy
Kohut
Norman
Smerznak
Strumello
Veillette
Williams
Sturges

Members Absent

Banks
Confinante

Chairman Sturges called the meeting to order. The Board rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. The record shows 10 members present.

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept the call of the meeting. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Public Session

The meeting was opened to the public anyone wishing to address the Board may do so at this time. No one wished to speak the public session was closed at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes January 25, 2010

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept and place on file the minutes from the Board of Apportionment & Taxation regular meeting of January 25, 2010 if found to correct. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Other Informational Communications

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept and place on file all informational communications presented to the Board, and take up as necessary. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Mr. Sturges advised that the Board of Aldermen would turn over their Budget for 2010-2011 once approved for BOAT's acceptance and consideration.

Communication #1 Police Department/ Private Duty \$50,000

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request increase both the revenue and expense sides of the budget for Private Duty in the amount of \$50,000. The increase in funds is needed due to the tree cutting service and service being provided by ATT.

Revenue Line Item # 001-308-12-010-0001 \$50,000 Private Duty

Expense Line Item # 001-200-12-140-0001 \$50,000 Private Duty

Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #2 Doyle Senior Center \$3,500

Ms. Caporale and Mr. Hubbard were present to discuss the request for transfers in the amount of \$3,500. The funds are needed to pay outstanding invoices for Valley Transit totaling \$3,300. Valley Transit currently does two runs a week to the Senior Center, one for weekly Bingo the second to take seniors food shopping. The cost for each pick up is \$80 totaling \$160 per week. The \$12,000 budget for the fiscal year 2009-2010 was used to pay transportation costs incurred in prior years and never submitted for payment. The Board was very concerned way they were not notified when funds for the current year expenses were used to pay a prior year. By transferring funds from Other Programs all computer training, line dancing and ballroom dancing will need to cease.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$3,500 from 0302-17-850-0001 Other Programs into 0302-17-860-0001 Transportation with the following actions to follow:

- o BOAT's Auditor will provide by the next meeting an accounting of the Senior Center Budget, reporting movement of all funds.
- o A letter be sent to the Mayor stating BOAT's concerns regarding the handling of this budget, what corrective action will be taken as there seems to be a problem with leadership from both the Director and the Bookkeeper.

Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes, 1 abstain Mr. Commune)

Communication #3 Flood Control \$14,907

Mr. Schryver advised the Board that the General Maintenance was earmarked for new roofs on pump stations throughout Town, however the Police Department is in need of roof repairs so the request is before the Board.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$14,907 from 0210-14-433-0001 General Maintenance Flood Control into 0200-11-812-0001 BOAT Contingency. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #4 Building & Refuse

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$14,907 from BOAT Contingency 200-11-812-0001 into Police Department Repairs 0602-13-436-0001. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$8,900 as follows:

Line Item #	Trans. In	Trans. Out
0602-13-436-0008 Shredder Repairs		\$ 8,900
0602-13-436-0005 Firehouse Repairs	\$ 5,000	
0602-13-436-0003 City Hall Repairs	3,900	

Mr. Strumello seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #5 ARMS \$24,252.00

Mr. Veillette made a motion to place the ARMS request on the table until Mr. Fainer was available to answer questions. Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #6 Fire Department \$1,500

Mr. Williams made a motion to table the request from the Fire Department due to no representation. Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #7 City Treasurer's Report of Income

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report of Income for January 2010. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #8 City Treasurer's Interest on Investments

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report of Interest on Investments for January 2010. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Late Communication #9 Recreation Department

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept the late communication from the Recreation Department. Mr. Boran seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes, 1 no Norman, 1 abstain)

Mr. Sturges opened the meeting up to the public anyone wishing to speaking regarding late communication #9 Recreation might do so at this time. No one wished to speak, the public session was closed.

Mr. Miller explained that the registration funds expected to come into the general fund for Football and Soccer did not, they were collected by the Parent's Club, in order to not allow the Recreation to expend those funds in the budget the Board may wish to freeze these accounts. The Board was disturbed that the Recreation Department would do what was a direct violation of BOAT's policy. The Recreation Commission merely had a conversation regarding the handling of registration funds it was not a legal motion due to lack of a quorum.

Mr. Kohut made a motion to freeze funds in line item # 0701-17-880-0006 Football and 0701-17-880-0010 Soccer. The Comptroller will notify the Recreation Department of this Board's actions. An accountability of all revenue should be provided to this Board. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Mr. Norman requested a letter be sent to the Mayor regarding the actions being taken by the Recreation Department. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Board of Aldermen Tentative Budget 2010-2011

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and take appropriate action on the Board of Aldermen Budget for Uniform Fiscal Year 2010-2011. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Other Business

With no other business to come before the Board Mr. Veillette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duclos
Secretary Board of Apportionment & Taxation