

Board of Apportionment & Taxation City of Ansonia

The Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia held their regular meeting on Monday, September 20, 2010 in the Aldermanic Chambers of Ansonia City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to consider requests for transfer 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.

Members Present

Boran
Confinante
Commune
Kennedy
Kohut
Norman
Smerznak
Strumello
Veillette
Williams
Sturges

Members Absent

Banks

Chairman Sturges called the meeting to order. The Board rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. The record shows 11 members present.

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept the call of the meeting. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Public Session

Mr. Sturges opened the meeting to anyone who wished to address the Board. No one else wished to address the Board the public session was closed at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes August 16, 2010

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept and place on file the minutes from the August 16, 2010 meeting if found to be correct. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Correspondence

Mr. Strumello made a motion to accept all communications, place them on file and take them up as needed. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #1 \$2,650 Grant Katharine Matthies Foundation

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the revenue line item 2-001-0305-17-010-0162 in the amount of \$2,650 and the expense line item 1-001-850-11-800-0162 in the amount of \$2,650 for a combined training program between the Ansonia Police Department and the Umbrella (Birmingham Group) Lethality Assessment Program LAP. The Katharine Matthies Foundation provided the Grant. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

BOAT 9-20-10.doc

Communication #2 City Treasurer's Report 2009-2010 Budget vs. Actual Revenue Comparison

Mr. Miller expressed to the Board that the City Treasurer's Report reflects a Cash basis there will not be any accruals in his report.

Mr. Norman voiced his concerns as to why BOAT works has hard as they do to come up with a budget each year if the revenue is off by the estimates used during budget workshops. The State can give you an estimate of Grants to be received and when they come in they may be quite less..

The Board received this report for informational purposes only.

Communication #3 City Treasurer's Report of Income for August 2010

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report of Income for June 2010. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #4 Recreation Commission

Mr. Coppola explained that the Ansonia Youth Football account has a shortfall because of the enrollment an additional football team is needed as well as two extra cheer squads. Uniforms will need to be purchased to outfit the additional youth.

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve a transfer from 1-001-0701-17-880-0010 Soccer into 1-001-0701-17-880-0006 Ansonia Youth Football for \$4,000. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve a transfer from 1-001-0701-17-880-0009 Little League in the amount of \$2,000 into 1-001-0701-17-880-001 Girls Basketball \$1,500 and 1-001-0701-17-880-0011 Flyer Printing \$500. Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #5 Ansonia Westside Block watch

Mr. Norman advised the Board he would be abstaining from this vote, as he is the "Block watch Captain".

Mr. Smerznak made a motion to establish the revenue line item 2-001-0305-17-010-0163 in the amount of \$800 for the Ansonia Westside Block watch program, and the expense line item 1-001-0850-11-800-0163 for the same amount with like name. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes, 1 abstain Mr. Norman)

Communication #6 Transfers for Utilities Accounts

Mr. Miller presented a listing of City wide department electric, water, and gas line items, which he would like the Board to transfer into three accounts paying the electric, water and gas from those accounts on a monthly basis. This should expedite payment to the Utility Companies. The Board noticed some departments might have been missed as chose not to act on the request at this time.

Mr. Norman made a motion to table the request at this time. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #8 KBE Building Corp Grant \$1,000

Mr. Norman made a motion to establish the revenue line item 2-001-0305-17-010-0164 in the amount of \$1,000 for the Ansonia Nature Center Playground Enhancements as well as the expense line item 1-001-0850-11-800-0164 of the same name for \$1,000. The grant will cover the materials needed for the playground enhancements and the Public Works Department will provide the labor. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #13 August Meeting Prindle Avenue Project

Mr. Norman made a motion to remove from the table communication #13 from August the Prindle Avenue Project. Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

City Engineer Mr. Amico was present to discuss the overages on the Prindle Avenue Project in the amount of \$68,309.41. It should be noted that the State of Connecticut paid for the project in the amount of approximately \$100,000 and the City paid for the design. Also any change orders are the responsibility of the City. There were two change orders, which included storm drain work, sidewalk work and relocating of a driveway. The State typically does not audit the project until 4-5 years after the competition. The City Engineer Department had encumbered \$25,000 for several years in anticipation of these overages.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve an additional appropriation from BOAT Contingency into Capital Expense Prindle Avenue Project 01-875-19-461-0024 \$68,309.41. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #7 ARMS Power Cot

Mr. Bshara confirm for the Board that ARMS donations were deposited into the general fund and increase the revenue and expense line items would keep the budget in balance an allow ARMS to purchase the Power Cot with the donations received.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the increase of line item 0307-17-840-0013 ARMS Power Cot Donations in the amount of \$6,617.99 and line item 0801-12-461-0003 Ambulance Equipment for the like amount. Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #9 Late Communication State Projects

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept late communication #9 and add it to the agenda. Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

The meeting was open to public session for anyone that wished to discuss the Ford and Beaver Street Paving Project and the Riverwalk Project. No one wished to speak the public session was closed.

After much discussion and concern with the State of Connecticut's Project detail the Mr. Norman made a motion requesting that the Finance Department, City Engineer and Corporation Counsel review both project "Estimated Construction Costs" and clarify exactly what the City's share will be. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11yes)

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the line item 0305-11-010-0165 in the amount of \$650,000 for Road Stimulus 10 (P002-126) and 0850-11-800-0165 in the amount of \$650,000 for Road Stimulus 10 (P002-126) with the stipulation that the Board can adjust the budget in the future based on accuracy of the State's Memo. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

The Riverwalk Project is a 80/20 split with the State and again concerns of accuracy are in question and will be looked at in detail.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve \$201,300 from the reserve fund as income into 0310-11-010-0014 and expense Riverwalk (Capital Expense) 0875-11-461-0028 \$201,300. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Mr. Confinante made a motion to approve \$805,200 into 0304-11-010-0011 Revenue Riverwalk (002-127) and Expense Riverwalk (Capital Expense) 0875-11-461-0028 \$805,200 with the stipulation that the Board can adjust the budget in the future based on accuracy of the State's Memo. Mr. Boran seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Other Business

Mr. Sturges advised the Board that there is an opportunity to work as a liaison between the Board of Education and the Board of Apportionment and Taxation. If anyone is interested in taking that task on please advice Mr. Sturges .

With no other business to come before the Board Mr. Commune made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duclos
Secretary Board of Apportionment & Taxation