

## **Board of Apportionment & Taxation City of Ansonia**

The Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia held their regular meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Erlingheuser Room 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Ansonia City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to review and accept the tentative budget for the Uniform Fiscal Year 2011-2012 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**

Banks  
Commune  
Confinante  
Kennedy  
Kohut  
Norman  
Strumello  
Veillette  
Sturges

### **Members Absent**

Boran  
Smerznak  
Williams

Chairman Sturges called the meeting to order. The Board rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. The record shows 9 members present.

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept the call of the meeting. Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 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 24, 2011**

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file the minutes from the Board of Apportionment & Taxation regular meeting of January 24, 2011 if found to correct. Ms. Banks seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

### **Other Informational Communications**

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file all informational communications presented to the Board, and take any action if necessary. Ms. Banks seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Communication #1 Fire Department**

Fire Commission Chairman Gene Sharkey addressed the Board regarding snow duty for two storms the 22<sup>nd</sup> and the 16<sup>th</sup> for total man-hours of 38, as well as fire hydrant clearing for 21 men at 4 hours per man.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request for an additional appropriation from BOAT Contingency in the amount of \$8,820 into 1-001-0401-12-311-002 Snow Duty. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Communication #2 Transfer Station Insurance Check**

The Board was concerned with whom would be controlling the funds received from the insurance claim for the Transfer Station in the amount of \$1,573,728.17. To date there are four total bills outstanding. Mr. Norman would like to see these funds not touched until a firm plan is in place.

At this time with so many questions to be answered Mr. Norman made a motion to table the request. Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was tabled. (9 yes)

**Communication #3 Police Department \$86,500**

Officer Williams addressed the Board regarding the Police Department request for transfers totaling \$86,500.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request for the transfers of \$86,500 as follows:

Line Item #	Trans. In	Trans. Out
0301-12-110-0003 Det/Sgt Salary		\$37,500
0301-12-110-0009 Part-time Records		2,000
0301-12-110-0012 Regular Patrolmen		30,000
0301-12-241-0001 Mnt Training		3,000
0301-12-241-0002 Police School		8,000
0301-12-243-0002 Clothing Reg/Det		3,000
0301-12-640-0001 Parking Tickets		3,000
0301-12-120-0001 Overtime	\$65,000	
0301-12-240-0001 Buy Back Sick Time	3,500	
0301-12-248-0001 Dept Promotional	8,000	
0301-12-434-0001 Police Car Repairs	10,000	

Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Communication #4 City Treasurer Report of Income January 2011**

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer’s Report of Income for January 2011. Ms. Banks seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Communication #5 Building & Refuse 2,000**

Mr. Norman requested Superintendent Schryver try to transfer funds to cover the Police Department repairs rather than request additional funding. Mr. Schryver suggested transferring from Fire House Repairs.

Mr. Strumello made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$2,000 from Fire House Repairs 0602-13-436-0005 into Police Department Repairs 0602-13-436-0001. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Communication #6 Streets & Bridges**

Superintendent Michael Schryver informed the Board that the City was faced with 32 snow events for a total of \$102,000 in overtime. Public Works has had at least one truck out every night since January 20, 2011. The City is hopeful that FEMA will reimburse Ansonia for the second large storm. Public Works could receive \$50,000 in reimbursement. To date no outside contractors have been used Public Works has been handling all needs including assisting with fire hydrant clearing and clearing the ARMS roof.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$10,000 from Superintendent Salary 0502-13-110-0001 into Vehicle Repair 0502-13-430-0002. Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$2,000 from Superintendent Salary 0502-13-110-0001 into Tires 0502-13-440-0005. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$60,000 from BOAT Contingency into 0502-13-120-0001 Streets Overtime. Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Communication #2 Transfer Station Rehab.**

Mr. Norman made a motion to remove from the table communication #2 for discussion. Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

Mr. Miller was available to discuss the Insurance Check for the Transfer Stations, and who would be controlling the account.

Mr. Miller advised the Board that all expenses would run through this Board that their monthly meeting, but the Mayor would be controlling the project. Chairman Sturges will speak with the Mayor regarding this project.

Mr. Norman made a motion to establish the following accounts:

0310-12-010-0018 Revenue Transfer Station \$1,573,728.17  
0200-13-436-0001 Expense Transfer Station \$1,573,728.17

Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Board of Aldermen Tentative Budget 2011-2012**

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and take appropriate action on the Board of Aldermen Budget for Uniform Fiscal Year 2011-2012 as well as all supporting documentation. Ms. Banks seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

**Other Business**

Mr. Miller advised the Board that the City has moved banks from Bank of America to Webster Bank. Fewer bank fees and higher interest rates will be realized from this change.

The City will also receive State of Connecticut Checks electronically in the future, is will allow an additional three days of investing by the City.

Mr. Norman applauded these saving efforts and urges all Department Heads and this Board to do the same as we begin budget workshops.

Mr. Sturges is asking members to contact him with their interests for workshops.

With no other business to come before the Board Mr. Commune made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Strumello seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duclos  
Secretary Board of Apportionment & Taxation

