

Board of Apportionment & Taxation City of Ansonia

The Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia held their regular meeting on Monday, May 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers of Ansonia City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to make further alterations in the estimates, appropriations and tax rates and to make appropriations and lay taxes for all City purposes for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. 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 as it pertains to the finalizing of the Fiscal Year July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 budget.

Members Present

Banks

Boran

Confinante

Commune

Kennedy

Kohut

Smerznak

Strumello

Veillette

Williams

Sturges

Members Absent

Norman

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

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

Final Budget Fiscal Year 2011-2012

Mr. Sturges opened the meeting explaining that this evening the final operating budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 would be set. BOAT did hold a special meeting last week after the public hearing to discuss any necessary charges we felt needed to be made. This Board did discuss approving an additional \$300,000 into a new line item called Educational Funding which resides in the BOAT's budget. The funding is not earmarked for anything specific within the Board of Education and the request of this increase will not affect the mil rate. Funding will come from a \$150,000 insurance savings, \$50,000 from increased revenue for interest liens and warrants, and \$100,000 from the fund balance.

Corporation Counsel Blake wished to insure the Board of Education that the \$300,000 is part of the operating budget for the Board of Education to use as they see fit.

101 School Building Commission \$2,100

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for School Building Commission for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$2,100. Ms. Banks seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

200 BOAT \$1,174,357

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for BOAT for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$1,174,357. Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

201 City Government \$3,001,701

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for City Government for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$3,001,701. Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

202 Elections \$41,140

Mr. Smerznak made a motion to approve the final budget for Elections for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$41,140. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

210 Flood Control \$29,900

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for Flood Control for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$29,900. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

211 City Engineer \$36,135

Mr. Smerznak made a motion to approve the final budget for City Engineer for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$36,135. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

212 Building Inspector \$113,658

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for the Building Inspector for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$113,658. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

214 Nature Center \$171,084

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Nature Center in the amount of \$171,084. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

215 Insurance and Debt Service \$9,398,042

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Insurance and Debt Service in the amount of \$9,398,042. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

216 Mayor's Office \$200,367

Mr. Smerznak made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Mayor's Office in the amount of \$200,367. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

301 Police Department \$4,949,354

Mr. Confinante made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Police Department in the amount of \$4,949,354. Mr. Boran seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

302 Senior Center \$ 138,203

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Senior Center in the amount of \$ 138,203. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

400 Fire Marshall \$71,025

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Fire Marshall in the amount of \$71,025. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

401 Fire Department \$245,850

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Fire Department in the amount of \$245,850. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

402 Finance Department \$484,875

Ms. Banks made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Finance Department in the amount of \$484,875. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

405 Economic Development \$190,622

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Economic Development in the amount of \$190,622. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes, 3 no, Williams, Confinante, Veillette)

420 Tax Department \$150,539

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Tax Department in the amount of \$150,539. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

450 Assessors Office \$209,372

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Assessor Office in the amount of \$209,372. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

502 Streets & Bridges \$1,516,117

Mr. Confinante made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Streets & Bridges in the amount of \$1,516,117. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

601 Library \$445,310

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Library in the amount of \$445,310. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes, 2 no Boran, Kennedy)

602 Building & Refuse \$2,525,110

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Building & Refuse in the amount of \$2,525,110. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

701 Recreation \$93,135

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Recreation in the amount of \$93,135. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

702 Board of Education \$26,077,214

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the Board of Education in the amount of \$26,077,214. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

801 ARMS \$620,319

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for ARMS in the amount of \$620,319. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

802 Town & City Clerk \$183,972

Mr. Smerznak made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Town & City Clerk in the amount of \$183,972. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

850 Municipal Grants \$366,494

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Municipal Grants in the amount of \$366,494. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

851 Educational Grants \$6,663,899

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Educational Grants in the amount of \$6,663,899. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

875 Capital Improvements \$104,000

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Capital Improvements in the amount of \$104,000. Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

901 Municipal Planning \$20,425

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012 for Municipal Planning in the amount of \$20,425. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Fund Balance from Surplus Fiscal Year 2011-2012 \$500,000

Mr. Commune made a motion that the Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia approves the use of \$500,000 from the 2010-2011 fund balance as a supplement to revenue for the 2011-2011 City Budget. Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Grand Total Final Budget Revenue Fiscal Year 2011-2012 \$59,224,319

Mr. Commune made a motion that the Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia approve the final budget of revenue for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30,, 2012 in the amount of \$59,224,319. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Grand Total Final budget Expense Fiscal Year 2011-2012 \$59,224,319

Mr. Commune made a motion that the Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia approve the final budget of expenses for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30,, 2012 in the amount of \$59,224,319. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Mill Rate fiscal year 2011-2012 26.25 Mills

Mr. Commune made a motion that the Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia hereby set a tax rate of 26.25 mills on the dollar. To be and the same is hereby assessed on the ratable estate of the Town & City of Ansonia, last completed being the Grand List of 2010. One half (½) or 13.125 mills due July 1, 2011 and one half (½) or 13.125 mills due January 1, 2012. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Regular Meeting Session

The Board opted to continue with the regular session of the meeting without a recess. The meeting was opened to the public anyone wishing to address the Board may do so at this time.

Ken Plavnicky, 15 Mountainview Road

Mr. Plavnicky questioned why Shelton can lower their taxes and Ansonia has to keep increase ours? The Board explained that Shelton’s Grand List increases which allows them the benefit to decrease taxes.

No one else wished to address the Board. The public session was closed at 7:27 p.m.

Minutes April 18, 2011

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept the minutes from April 28, 2011 and place them on file, with the one correction of Communication #3 should read Connecticut Fire Plan rather than Fair Plan.. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Correspondence

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept all correspondence and take under new business if required. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication # 1 Recreation Grant \$2,484

Mr. Confinante made a motion to establish both the revenue and expense line items for the Valley Community Foundation Grant in the amount of \$2,484 for the purchase of tables and chairs at the Armory.

Expense 1-001-0850-11-800-0170 \$2,484

Revenue 2-001-0305-17-010-0170 \$2,484

Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #2 Streets & Bridges \$150

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$150 from 0502-13-110-0002 Street Wages into 0502-13-130-0001 Public Works Secretary to cover one additional meeting this year. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #3 Building & Refuse \$32,500

Mr. Confinante made the motion to approve the request to transfer \$32,500 as follows:

Line Item #	Transfer In	Transfer Out
0602-13-110-0005 Transfer Station Wages		29,000
0602-13-110-0003 Custodian Wages	14,000	
0602-13-120-0001 Bldg Refuse Overtime	15,000	
0602-13-110-0004 Maintenance Wages		3,500
0602-13-111-0001 Nolan Field Wages	3,500	

Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #4 School Building Commission \$700

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the request for an additional appropriation from BOAT Contingency into 001-010-19-130-0001 Commission Secretary \$700 which was not funded this fiscal year, the fund will be sufficient to complete the budget year. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #5 City Treasurer's Report of Income April 2011

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept the City Treasurer's Report of Income for April 2011 and place it on file. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #6 Police Department \$15,000

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the following transfers for the Police Department:

Line Item #	Transfer In	Transfer Out
0301-12-120-0001 Police Overtime	15,000	
0301-12-241-0002 Police School		5,000
0301-12-612-0001 Computer Teletype		1,500
0301-12-440-0003 Communication Lease		1,700
0301-12-110-0012 Patrolmen's Salary		6,800
0301-12-110-0003 Detectives & Sgts		2,070
0301-12-223-0001 MERF	2,070	

Mr. Confinante seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Communication #7 Recreation \$1,590

Mr. Williams made a motion to increase both the revenue 0307-17-840-0009 Registration Adult \$1,590 and the expense 0701-17-880-0015 Adult \$1,590, for the Tumbling Class held at the Armory. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (11 yes)

Other Business

Mr. Sturges asked Mr. Schryver how the certifying of the dikes were going? Phase one which is the West Side is complete, and phase two and three have just begun.

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. (11 yes)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duclos
Secretary Board of Apportionment & Taxation