

Board of Apportionment & Taxation City of Ansonia

The Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia held their regular meeting on Monday November 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in Ansonia City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was 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.

Members Present

Banks
Boran
Commune
Confinante
Kohut
Norman
Smerznak
Strumello
Williams
Sturges

Members Absent

Kennedy
Veillette

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

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept the call of the meeting. Mr. Williams 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.

Superintendent of Public Works Michael Schryver informed the Board that the last Storm Sandy cost approximately \$29,000 in overtime for debris removal. There is between \$9,000 and \$10,000 left for the balance in overtime and the winter storms have not even begun. FEMA should cover 100% of the overtime but the reimbursement will take time.

No one wished to speak the public session was closed at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes October 15, 2012

Mr. Williams made a motion to accept and place on file the minutes from October 15, 2012 with the correction noted under communication #8 “coarse free of charge” should read “course free of charge.” Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Informational Communications

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file all informational communications and act on them as the Board feels necessary. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #1 State EMPG \$9,257

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the revenue account 2-001-0305-17-010-1139 for \$9,257 and expense account 1-001-0850-11-800-1139 for \$9,257 for the CEMP Grant.

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

Communication #2 FM Global Grant \$1,892

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the revenue account 2-001-0305-17-010-0190 for \$1,892 and the expense account 1-001-0850-11-800-0190 for \$1,892 for the FM Global Grant. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #3 ARMS \$22,266

Aldermen Nihill and Acting Personnel Director Ms. Kolakowski addressed the Board regarding the qualification of the Director of ARMS as well as the procedures followed prior to the hiring of Mr. Heon.

The BOAT Contingency balance to date is \$125,000.

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the request for an additional appropriation from BOAT Contingency in the amount of \$22,266.00 into:

0801-12-111-0001 Director Salary \$18,642
0201-11-221-0001 Pension Fund 2,198
0215-11-231-0001 Social Security 1,426

Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was denied. (7 yes, 1 abstain Mr. Williams, 2 no Mr. Kohut, Mr Norman)

Communication #4 CPR Training Valley Small Grant Program \$750

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the revenue line item 2-001-0305-17-010-0189 for \$750 CPR Training and the expense line item 1-001-0850-11-800-0189 for \$750 CPR Training. Ms. Banks seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #5 Library Grant \$2,685

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the revenue line item 2-001-0305-17-010-0168 \$2,685 for the 2011 Library Grant and the expense line item 1-001-0850-11-800-0168 for \$2,685 for the 2011 Library Grant. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #6 ARMS Additional Appropriations \$15,000

The Board understands the situation with the failing Ambulance and the loaner as the new ambulance is on order, however they would like to see ARMS work with a little less from BOAT Contingency if possible.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$2,500 from BOAT Contingency into Radio Equipment 001-0801-12-461-0009. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Mr. Boran made a motion to approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$7,000 from BOAT Contingency into 1-001-0801-12-440-0005 Ambulance Maintenance. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Communication #7 Economic Development \$250

Mr. Scarlata advised the Board that the transfer would allow the Economic Development Commission to become a member of the Connecticut Valley Chamber this would enable them to apply for grants for West Main Street.

Mr. Boran made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$250 from 0405-18-613-0001 Marketing Materials into 0405-18-62-0001 Dues and Membership. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Late Communication #8 Police Contract Adjustments \$86,646

Mr. Kohut made a motion to accept the late communication and add it to this evening's agenda. Mr. Strumello seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

The meeting was opened to the public to discuss late communication #8 no one wished to speak the public session was closed.

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the request for an additional appropriation from BOAT Contingency II into:

301-12-110-0001 Chief	\$2,776
301-12-110-0002 Lieutenants	4,627
301-12-110-0003 Det/Sergeants	23,086
301-12-110-0012 Regular Police	40,790*
301-12-246-0001 Sick Time	2,867
301-12-223-0001 MERF	11,500

*It was noted that the Regular Police request was reduced by \$15,000 due to extra funding because of the lack of hiring.

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

Mr. Norman noted he was very disappointed to see the Tinney Community Center close, it is very sad for that part of town.

Mr. Bshara request that this budget planning year the Board of Apportionment & Taxation and the Board of Aldermen consider consolidating some of their meeting with Department Heads. This year the City is going through revaluation and the Finance Department wants to be sure enough time is given to achieve everything that need to be done.

Mr. Sturges has already been in discussions with the Board of Aldermen and both Board are willing to work together.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duclos
Secretary Board of Apportionment & Taxation