

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

The Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia held their regular meeting on Monday March 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers of 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. The Board will also address any other business that comes before them and Executive Session if necessary.

### **Members Present**

Boran  
Commune  
Kennedy  
Kohut  
Norman  
Smerznak  
Strumello  
Williams  
Veillette  
Sturges

### **Members Absent**

Confinante  
Galston

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 (It was noted the Board did not receive a call for March's meeting. The Board worked off the February call) Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

### **Public Session**

Mr. Sturges opened the meeting to the public. Anyone wishing to address the Board may do so at this time. The public session was closed at 7:05 p.m.

### **Minutes February 24, 2009**

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file the minutes from the February 24, 2009 meeting if found to be correct. Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

### **Informational Communications**

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to accept and place on file all informational communications within the packet for March. Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**Communication #1 City Treasurer's February Report of Income**

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report of Income for February 2009. Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**Communication #2 City Treasurer's February Report of Interest on Investments**

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report for Interest on Investments for February 2009. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**Communication #3 Fire Equipment \$2,699**

Mr. Miller advised that is communication was related to #8 from February 2009. The amount requested for reimbursement is less the \$500 deductible.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$2,699 from 0200-17-880-0003 Other Department Expenses into 0401-12-461-0002 Fire Equipment. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**Communication #4 Incubator Reimbursement**

Mr. Miller advised the Board that communication #10 from February's meeting should have been approved for \$576,700 rather than the \$576,000.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$700 from 0310-11-010-0014 Fund Balance into 0201-11-611-0004 Incubator Reimbursement. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**Communication #5 Fence Reimbursement**

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the transfer of \$1,350 from 0200-17-880-0003 Other Department Expenses into 0502-13-611-0001 Street Supplies. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**BOAT Contingency Balance \$215,000**

**Communication #6 Buildings & Refuse \$4,000**

Mr. Norman noted as a member of Charters Hose he will abstain from voting on this request.

The three jobs related to this request for additional funding are as follows:

1. Fire Alarm Panel Replacement
2. Concrete Work at Charters Hose
3. Two Garage Door panel replacement

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the request for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,000 from BOAT Contingency into 1-001-0602-13-436-0005 Firehouse Repairs. Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (9 yes, 1 abstain Mr. Norman)

**Communication #7 Board of Education**

The Board of Apportionment and Taxation stated that the \$63,352.00 additional funding request is an accounting issue not a budgeting one. The \$127,704 was already in the ECS Grant for the Board of Education. The \$127,704 represents 20% of the \$15,031,000. The Board commented that if the check has come in from the state and not passed on to the Board of Education that needs to be looked into by the Finance Department. Mr. Gaskins, Board of Education Business Administrator, believes the State of Connecticut Department of Education may have a different opinion on how the 20% should be handle by the City.

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept the communication with no action necessary and forward to the Finance Department for review and necessary adjustments. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**Communication #8 “State Safety Data Improvement Program”**

Mr. Norman made a motion to consider informational memo #11 from the Grant Writers as an action item, and add to the agenda. Mr. Kohut seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

The meeting was opened to the public to discuss communication # 11. No one wished to address the Board the public session was closed.

Mr. Norman made a motion to combine communication #8 and #11 for “State Safety” and address together. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve 2-001-0305-17-010-1125 \$27,500 “State Safety Data Improvement Program”, as follows:

- o \$22,000 from the State DOT and \$5,500 from the Ansonia Police Department forfeiture account.

Mr. Norman also approved 1-001-850-11-800-1125 \$27,500 500 “State Safety Data Improvement Program”.

As updated by communication dated March 12, 2009

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

**Communication #9 Insurance & Debt Service**

Mr. Miller advised the Board that the consultant for the City provided them with the wrong information regarding the life insurance. If approved this transfer will carry the line item until the end of the fiscal year.

Mr. Strumello made a motion to approve the request to transfer \$3,578.00 from 1-001-0215-11-211-0001 Medical ABC into 1-001-215-11-214-0001 Life Insurance. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (10 yes)

**Communication #10 Board of Education 2008-2009 Budget**

Mr. Miller advised the Board that this request represents grants received by the Board of Education and would be an increase to both the revenue and expense side of the budget. Some grants are for multiple years and any unexpended funds would be rolled into the next fiscal year.

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the Board of Education Budget 2008-2009 revenue and expense as follows:

0313-19-010-0001 Supplemental Educational Grants \$5,015,954.00

0851-19-800-0001 Supplemental Educational Grants \$5,015,954.00

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

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duclos  
Sec. Board of Apportionment & Taxation