

Board of Apportionment & Taxation City of Ansonia

The Board of Apportionment & Taxation of the City of Ansonia held their regular meeting on Monday, August 17, 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. And any other business to come before said Board.

Members Present

Boran
Commune
Norman
Smerznak
Strumello
Veillette
Williams
Sturges

Members Absent

Confinante
Galston
Kennedy
Kohut

Chairman Sturges called the meeting to order. The Board rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. The record shows 8 members present.

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept the call of the meeting. Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Public Session

The meeting was opened to the public anyone wishing to address the Board may do so at this time.

Mr. Gene Sharkey, Chairman Ansonia Fire Commission request to be put on the agenda to address the Fire Chief and Fire Marshal vehicles. Both vehicle have had numerous repairs and are at the point where it is not feasible to continue putting money into them. A quote has been acquired and if this item is put on the agenda it can be discussed further.

No one else wished to address the Board the public session was closed at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes June 15, 2009

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept and place on file the minutes from June 15, 2009 if found to be correct. Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Other Informational Communications

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file all informational communications presented to the Board. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #1 Dept of Justice FY09 Grant

The Grant Writers explained that this is a 6-year lease of the fingerprinting equipment the grant will cover 3 ½ years of the cost and the remainder of 2 ½ will be paid out of the Police Forfeiture Account.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the revenue line item # 2-001-0305-17-010-0149 \$26,871 and expense line item #1-001-0850-11-800-0149 \$26,871 for JAG. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #2 Senior Center Grants

Mr. Strumello made a motion to approve the following income and expense line items for the Senior Center retroactively for fiscal year 2008-2009:

0305-17-010-0127 State of CT Senior Center \$ 5,000

0850-11-800-0127 State of CT Senior Center \$ 5,000

0305-17-010-0128 State of CT Aging \$ 3,450

0850-11-800-0128 State of CT Aging \$ 3,450

Mr. Norman seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #3 Cat Facility Grant

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the revenue and expense line item for the Cat Facility Grant in the amount of \$436.69 retroactively for fiscal year 2008-2009 into:

0305-17-010-0143 Revenue Cat Facility \$436.69

0850-11-800-0143 Expense Cat Facility \$436.69

Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #4 ARMS Valley Small Grant Program

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the revenue of \$1,500 into 2-001-0305-17-010-0150 CPR Training Grant, and expense 1-001-0850-11-800-0150 \$1,500 CPR Training Grant. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #5 Fire Marshal

Mr. Tingley requested a transfer in the amount of \$75 to cover an error made during the budget process, brought to the Board's attention and never corrected.

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve an additional appropriation from BOAT Contingency in the amount of \$75 into \$1-001-0400-12-250-0002 Fire Marshal Sick Time. Mr. Norman felt that since the correction was not made in a timely manner the Fire Marshal should not have to transfer within his department to need this need. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #6 City Treasurer's Report of Income May 2009

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report of Income of May 2009. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #7 City Treasurer's Corrected Report of Income March 2009

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's corrected

Report of Income for March 2009. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #8 PetSmart Charities Grant \$5,000

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept the revenue and expense in the amount of \$5,000 from PetSmart Charities into 1-001-0850-11-800-0151 expense and 2-001-0305-17-010-0151 revenue. The funding will be used at the Ansonia Animal Shelton for the neutering of feral cats. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #9 ARMS Income & Expense

Mr. Commune made a motion to accept and place on file the ARMS Report of Income and Expense through June 2009. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on the agenda late communications # 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Public Session

The meeting was opened to the public anyone wishing to address the Board regarding the late communication may do so at this time. No one wished to speak the public session was closed.

Communication #10 City Treasurer's Report of Income July 2009

Mr. Williams made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report of Income for July 2009. Mr. Commune seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #11 City Treasurer's Report of Interest on Investments July 2009

Mr. Williams made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Report of Interest on Investments for July 2009. Mr. Smerznak seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #12 City Treasurer's Annual Report Fiscal Year 2008-2009

Mr. Norman voiced concern on significant differences in budgeted verse actual in many areas. Mr. Bshara advised that the City Treasurer reports on a cash basis rather an accrue, but there are areas where the City anticipated receiving more from the State of Connecticut than it had.

Mr. Norman made a motion to accept and place on file the City Treasurer's Annual Report for fiscal year 2008-2009. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Mr. Smerznak inquired about the sale of the ATP Building. To date the sale has still not been finalized.

Communication #13 Fire Chief/Fire Marshal Vehicles

Mr. Sharkey, Chairman of the Ansonia Fire Commission addressed the Board regarding replacing both the Fire Chief and Fire Marshal’s vehicles. If the Board would consider funding out of the capital improvement account there wouldn’t be an impact on the budget. The current balance in the account is \$320,000, which does not include this fiscal year’s contribution. The two vehicles have no book value and are not worth putting any additional money into. The Board agreed the vehicles do need to be replace however the presentation of a 2010 Expedition and Explorer, from the state bid list, at a total of \$62,795 seems rather high in this economy. The Board requested Mr. Bshara look into local merchants and see if any deals were available.

Mr. Commune made a motion to approve the request to purchase two vehicles for the Fire Chief and Fire Marshal out of the Capital Improvement Account. The amount authorized was not to exceed \$62,795. Ms. Bshara will contact the Board members on his findings. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

Communication #14 Carryover Grants \$417,580.35

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the request to carry over grants from fiscal year 2008-2009 as follows:

<u>Expense Line Item</u>	<u>Desc</u>	<u>Revenue Line Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0850-11-800-0034	Children Trust Fund	0305-17-001-0034	1,801.00
0850-11-800-0035	Matthies Found Grant	0305-17-010-0035	8,000.00
0850-11-800-0054	Main St. Beautification	0305-17-010-0054	2,975.00
0850-11-800-0065	American the Beautiful	0305-17-010-0065	3,000.00
0850-11-800-0080	EMPG 2007	0305-17-010-0080	4,376.86
0850-11-800-0093	Culture Comm 8/06	0305-17-010-0093	1,847.00
0850-11-800-0095	EMPG 2006	0305-17-010-0095	4,846.82
0850-11-800-0102	Armory Grant CT 0176	0305-17-010-0102	12,955.75
0850-11-800-0112	Greenway Grant	0305-17-010-0112	83,559.44
0850-11-800-0116	Workplace Grant 2007	0305-17-010-0116	3,917.50
0850-11-800-0128	St of CT Aging Services	0305-17-010-0128	34.00
0850-11-800-0129	Workplace Grant 2008	0305-17-010-0129	2,645.34
0850-11-800-0135	Library Target Stores	0305-17-010-0135	459.46
0850-11-800-0136	Target Pol Video Equip	0305-17-010-0136	750.00
0850-11-800-0142	Federal AFD Training	0305-17-010-0142	35,320.00
0850-11-800-0143	Cat Pound	0305-17-010-0143	2,275.00
0850-11-800-0144	Pack April 09	0305-17-010-0144	3,309.36
0850-11-800-0145	Library Gate Computer	0305-17-010-0145	12,408.00
0850-11-800-0146	Harvest Festival 09	0305-17-010-0146	2,000.00
0850-11-800-0147	Lib Monument Restore	0305-17-010-0147	2,000.00
0850-11-800-0148	EMPG 2008	0305-17-010-0148	5,845.00
0850-11-800-1124	St of CT Police DUI	0305-17-010-1124	15,885.99
0850-11-800-1125	Police In Car Report	0305-17-010-1125	22,368.83
0850-11-800-1127	EMPG 2009	0305-17-010-1127	10,000.00
0850-11-800-1128	Streetscape-50K	0305-17-010-1128	50,000.00
0850-11-800-1129	Streetscape – 125K	0305-17-010-1129	125,000.00

Mr. Veillette seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

With no other business to come before the Board Mr. Norman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8 yes)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duclos
Secretary Board of Apportionment & Taxation