

VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY
MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 27, 2012

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m, by Chairman Bisballe.

Present: Council Member Bisballe, Chair
Council Member Gesell, .
Council Member Felt

Also Present: Interim City Manager Mark Wollenweber
Public Safety Director, John Schulte
Public Works Director, Brett Smith
Finance Director, Rhonda Ricketts

All items pertinent to this meeting are either attached or placed on file.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 30, 2012

Motion by Council Member Felt, Seconded by Council Member Gesell, to approve the minutes from the May 30, 2012 Finance Committee Meeting. Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Under legal proposals the committee is asking City Council to set interview dates for all of the firms that submitted a proposal.

Under the Engineering Proposals staff indicated that both the Interim Manager and the Public Works Director would provide their analysis of the information submitted. The Committee suggested a meeting with those who submitted sometime later this summer.

A handout prepared by the Finance Director showing a first attempt at a second and third year budget was passed out and discussed. (see attached). Staff was asked to include construction estimates for Lochmoor and discussed having a bid package ready by the end of the year for possible construction next July.

Both Chief Schulte and Director Smith handed out fleet and equipment needs for their respective departments. The committee discussed including in budget projections for 2013-14 and 2014-15 \$100,000 for equipment needs with one police vehicle in each year and replacing a Cushman vehicle also in each year. Because of the police vehicle build schedule it may be necessary to find funds in the 2012-13 budget for one of the police vehicles which would be a Police Command 4 wheel drive vehicle.

Discussion then turned to the HRC report and staff was asked to estimate repairs now for Putnam and Hampton for the 2012-13 budget and Lochmoor for the following year. Also discussed were possible repairs to Willow Tree Lakeshore Lane and Shoreham.

Once the engineering firm issue is settled the committee and staff want to get prices on both S-2 sewer grant application and also applying for Drinking Water Revolving Fund monies to assist with a city wide meter replacement program.

NEW BUSINESS

The Committee discussed the pending retirement of three management employees and agreed upon adjustments by the Interim City Manager for the remaining three non union employees with a partial adjustment now and a review based upon financial conditions in December.

Under part time help the recommendation from the Interim manager to make one of part time Employees a full time was discussed and since very limited cash benefits were to be included the committee understood the need to proceed.

The Finance Director discussed the handout on changes in GASB rules requiring in local audits disclosure of unfunded pension obligations.

The Interim Manager also discussed the need to develop meter equivalent units as part of water bills based upon the greater reliance of DWSD in monthly fixed charges. Staff is working with HRC in developing more specific recommendations to present to the Committee and ultimately to City Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEXT MEETING

The next Finance Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, July 25,2012 . at 6:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Mark Wollenweber
Interim City Manager