

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Finance Committee

Meeting

GRAPHIC VILLAGE - CINCINNATI, OH

Form 6101

Held September 8, 2022

Finance Committee Meeting
September 8, 2022

Called to Order:

Chair Linda Hall called the Finance Committee Meeting to Order at 6:35 P.M.

Roll Call:

Finance Committee Members: Mike Conway, Linda Hall, and Sam Cahill.

Quorum Declare: 3 present, 0 absent.

Also Attending: Director of Finance, Becky Arnott-Shiple; Chief of Police, Chris Floyd; Council Member, Richard King; Mayor Ray Martin; Jackie Tiberio; Council Member, Howard Wade; and Council Member, Jen Warner.

The Minutes:

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the August 31, 2022, Finance Committee Meeting moved by Mr. Conway and seconded by Ms. Cahill.

VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

Motion Carries 3-0.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

A. New Police Cruiser.

Chief Floyd explained the last couple of years have been difficult. For example, last year we purchased a vehicle from out of state. Last week we received information from Chevrolet concerning cutting off orders for next year. Likewise, two other auto companies, Chrysler and Ford, are planning on the same. Based on that, we have no idea what will happen in 2023. Manufactures have placed police cruisers low on the list of products. We have to keep in mind vehicle repairs, potential accidents, or other circumstances that may limit use or take them out of service all together. We have a police vehicle that is a relief cruiser and has high mileage. We also have a K-9 Car but it's not being used due to staffing. However, we do use it if an officer has to drive to court or emergencies.

Mr. Conway asked who drives S-1 and wouldn't it be easier to convert a K-9 unit rather than purchase a new \$60,000.00 vehicle?

Ms. Cahill asked since we do not have a full staff which was budgeted for, how much do we have left in the budget toward a new vehicle?

Ms. Arnott-Shiple said we can take a look at that but auditors do not allow personal services money toward purchases. This has to be appropriated.

Mr. Conway said we talked about when to replace police cars before. Wasn't it around 100,000 to 125,000 miles?

Ms. Arnott-Shiple said we can't just let one or two cars be kept in inventory. Instead, we need a replacement schedule. Otherwise, we will be purchasing several at a time.

(Inaudible 14:35)

Mayor Martin asked what is the highest mileage vehicle?

Chief Floyd said the relief car. But, taking that one out, Car-2 has 100,000 miles, and another car has 91,000 miles on it. They are both 2020 makes.

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Mr. Conway said maybe we should switch some of the cars around, namely, S-1 or S-2 with Car-2, and convert the K-9 unit into a police cruiser. After all, we have been trying to get full staffed for a couple of years and the K-9 unit can wait.

Ms. Cahill said things are obviously changing. The Village is not the only place that has staffing issues.

Chief Floyd said this order is not anything additional to what we were planning on doing. This vehicle was going to be ordered next year but the cancellation of orders pushed this need to the front.

Chair L. Hall said this is not an additional car but for one already budgeted for next year?

Chief Floyd said that's correct.

(Inaudible multiple conversations 19:30)

Mr. Conway asked what would happen if we did not order a car for 2023?

Chief Floyd said next year we would have four cars with over 100,000 miles.

Ms. Amott-Shibley said I got the figures concerning payroll savings. Currently, we are at about 55% but should be at least 70% for our budgeted payroll. So, there is some savings.

The Finance Committee is recommending approval for the order. Also, the proposed legislation needs to be reworded: "Approval to Order in 2022."

Motion to Adjourn at 6:57 P.M. by Ms. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Conway.

VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

Motion Carries 3-0.

Signature of Jimmy John Hall, Clerk of Council

Signature of Linda Hall, Chair