

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
May 15, 2006

The Finance Committee meeting was held on May 15, 2006, at North Royalton City Hall, 13834 Ridge Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Chair Kurt McKee, President of Council Robert Stefanik, Don Willey; Denise Bobulsky, Lisa Uffman-Kirsch. Mayor Cathy Luks, Finance Director Karen Fegan. Other attendees were present.

Moved by Bob Stefanik, seconded by Don Willey to approve the minutes of March 6, 2006, March 11, 2006, March 20, 2006, and April 17, 2006. 3 yeas/0 nays. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Economic Development Report/available grant money**
Finance Committee is still waiting for the written report due in April.
2. **Tax collections status**
Right at budget. 5/12 of the year at 42%.
3. **Monthly finance report**
Legal fees are over budget for this time of the year. Finance Director will monitor closely.
4. **Capital appropriations**
Next report due in July.
5. **Bid process and purchasing policy**
No update from the Law Department. Mayor will get final draft from the Law Department for Finance Committee to review at the June meeting.
6. **Deficit projection report**
No report or update. Mr. Willey would like to leave this on the agenda.
7. **Tax Expenditure Limitation (TEL) State proposal**
The Mayor will be meeting with Mr. Blackwell and other Ohio Mayors on the possible financial impact of passing the TEL amendment.
8. **Overtime Reporting**
The Mayor said it is almost completed and she asked the committee to clarify what they wanted. The committee's response was reason and hours for departments that have the most overtime.
9. **2006 Budget**
Still waiting for a response from Medina/Hinckley regarding paving of Boston Road.
10. **Volunteer CERT Team**
Assistant Prosecutor Donna Vozar is looking into the wording of the documents to determine its non-profit status.
11. **Income tax increase scenarios for November**
General discussion took place on the income tax issue. The Mayor said we need the income tax for many reasons: more staffing, equipment, roads, and flooding issues.

Mrs. Bobulsky said we need something to be done to generate more money.

Mrs. Uffman-Kirsch referred to the Cost of Services Study as a guideline for the amount of money we need.

Mrs. Fegan said we need money for streets and storms and many other things.

Mr. Willey questioned the amount of money we need. He also questioned the Cost of Services Study numbers.

Mr. McKee said please bring any scenarios that you would like to talk about to the June Finance Committee meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Appropriation amendment proposed Ordinance 06-74

The Finance Committee recommended approval 2-1. Mr. McKee voting no because he wants money for road repair.

Moved by Mr. Stefanik to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Willey. 3 yeas/0 nays. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.