

**City of Aurora, Ohio  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 12, 2016**

The Committee of the Whole of the City of Aurora, Ohio met in Council Chambers at City Hall on Monday, September 26, 2016 the purpose of holding a regular public meeting. Committee Chairman John Kudley, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:           Reva Barner  
                  Kath Grandillo  
                  Harold Hatridge  
                  George Horvat  
                  John Kudley, Jr.  
                  Amy McDougald  
                  James Vaca  
                  Scott Wolf

Absent:           Dennis Kovach

Also Present:   Dean DePiero, Law Director  
                  Timothy Clymer, Finance Director  
                  John Trew, Director of Public Services  
                  Denise Januska, Director of Planning, Zoning and Building  
                  Jack Burge, Director of Economic and Entrepreneurial Development  
                  Karen Aldredge, Chief of Staff  
                  Brian Byard, Police Chief  
                  Donna Hawks, Clerk of Council

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:       Approval of the September 12, 2016 meeting minutes**

Mr. Wolf moved; Ms. Barner seconded. The motion carried on unanimous voice vote. Mr. Vaca abstained.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

(Attached)

Mr. Vaca said he would like to see a copy of the income the city received from the waterpark.

Mr. Clymer said he cannot publically disclose the information. He said he would talk with Mr. Vaca after the meeting. He said Wild Water Kingdom was not a top 25 employer for the city. He said the income tax hit will not be substantial.

Ms. McDougald gave kudos to Mr. Clymer on the investment strategy and for doing a good job his first year.

**MOTION:       To accept the August 2016 Finance Director's Report**

Mr. Vaca moved; Mr. Hatridge seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**MOTION:       To amend the agenda by adding the STAR Sidewalk Improvement Program quote as item c under New Business**

Ms. Grandillo moved; Mr. Wolf seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS****Employees Generally**

Mrs. Aldredge said the individual on the employees generally will replace a probationary service tech that left prior to finishing his first year.

Mr. Vaca stated the Water Department has been short people and would like to know when the city will hire for that department.

Mr. Trew said he has discussed that with the Mayor and they are still looking at it.

Mr. Vaca said he is concerned because no one has been replaced in the Water Department.

Mr. Kudley asked if the hydrants are going to be white. Mr. Trew said the white paint is a primer.

Ms. Barner asked how much longer the process will take for the hydrants.

Mr. Trew said SR82 and SR43 is all that will get done with the \$20,000. He said it is only one third of what needs to be done. He said it will be a couple of weeks before they are finished.

**MOTION: To forward to Council for consideration this evening**

Mr. Wolf moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Easement-Sidewalk Connectivity Project**

Mr. DePiero said the easement is a continuation of the connectivity project. He said this is an additional one that came in after the last Council meeting.

Ms. McDougald asked how many remain.

Mr. DePiero said possibly five more.

**MOTION: To forward to Council for consideration this evening**

Mr. Wolf moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**2016 STAR Sidewalk Improvement Program Quotes**

Mr. Trew said when the project went out for bid the contractors submitted bids more than twice the amount of the engineering estimate. He said the contractors were bidding to make a 50% profit. He said the city sent out 12 requests for quotes and only one came back from a very reputable company. He said the company's bid was \$54,000 and it was 10% under the original engineering estimate. He said it is in line with what the city paid for Pioneer Trail.

Ms. McDougald asked how many participants were there.

Mr. Trew said there were 43 and the city is able to accommodate all of them.

Ms. Barner said it is fantastic that everyone is covered. She asked if the participants will be notified that the work is going to be done and when can they expect it to be done.

Mr. Trew said letters will be sent out as early as this week if Council approves the legislation.

Mr. Hatridge said he thought that more had responded. He said he is happy to see this is finally getting done.

Ms. McDougald asked for a list of the applicants.

Mr. Horvat asked if the company doing the work was eligible to bid before.

Mr. Trew said they were they just missed the notice in the paper.

**MOTION: To forward to Council for consideration this evening**

Mr. Vaca moved; Mr. Wolf seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: To adjourn**

Mr. Vaca moved; Mr. Hatridge seconded. The motion carried on unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

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John Kudley, Jr., Chairman

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Donna Hawks, Clerk of Council