

11-27-2017 Council Workshop Minutes

Council Workshop Minutes Monday, November 27, 2017

Mayor Redfern called the meeting to order. Present were Chris Rice, Scott Locke, Bill Hampton, Billie Smith, and Chris Mohler. Jan Driggs was absent.

1. First item on her Brittany's agenda was Kathy Maguschak with McBane Insurance to give Council an update with what was going on with Health Insurance Rate Renewals. She gave Council a comparison spreadsheet with our renewal if we stayed with our current plan and three other plans that are all ACA products. She explained these in further detail and explained that she is awaiting a response from Anthem regarding if they can lower the increase. Kathy stated that she will let Brittany know when she hears back and can therefore let Council know. This was discussed in further detail. Chris Rice asked Kathy if Council would be allowed to be added to the plan. She stated that you can't discriminate so the Village would have to pay at least 50% of their health insurance but would not be allowed to pay for it themselves.
2. The next item on the agenda was the Fund Summary report that was updated throughout the end of the day with all bills paid and most transfers done.
3. The last item on her agenda was the 2018 Appropriations that Council needs to review. Brittany explained that the first reading will be done the first meeting of December if Council has any changes or suggestions.
4. Mayor Redfern stated that all of Council received a copy of a project profile sent to him by Buckeye Hills. He would like for them to look over and see if we can utilize this in any way. Mayor Redfern explained that he could get a hold of Melissa Zoller to see what other Villages had used this for. He stated that Somerset used this program before for Office help to gather data for grants they would like to apply for. He will check into this and get back with Council.
5. Mayor Redfern asked Council if they knew of anything the Village could apply for regarding the railroad for our crossings. Chris Mohler asked what our matching requirements would be. Having the Main Street bridge closed will but a lot more traffic onto the crossing on Industrial Drive. Mayor Redfern stated that ODOT was in town to evaluate two bridges but not sure which two because he hasn't heard back from them. This was discussed in further detail. Mayor Redfern explained to Council that he will get a hold of the railroad and will get Council more information on this. He will email once he hears something back. Scott Locke asked if the Village had to be a member of MORPC to apply for this grant and it was explained that the County is part of this and we fall under that.
6. Mayor Redfern asked Thurman if he would like to address the insurance and what he had heard tonight in regards to what he had available or would be able to get the Village regarding insurance rates. Mr. Harmon explained his insurance plan quote that he was able to put together for the Village. He stated that once all employees filled out the application, the premium would go up but without the applications he can't 100% say to what it could but that it would still save the Village a bunch of money and have better coverage. Mr. Harmon stated that he can propose a plan for dental, vision, and life insurance for about \$78 a month. He explained that he would still offer this plan even if the Village chooses to not go with his medical insurance quote.

Mayor Redfern adjourned the meeting.

Brittany Ross
Fiscal Officer

Fred Redfern
Mayor