

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
AUGUST 10, 2015 AT 7:03 P.M.
LINCOLN CENTER – 1519 WATER STREET**

PRESENT: Ald. Slowinski, Phillips, Patton, Van Stippen and Kneebone

ALSO

PRESENT: Mayor Wiza; C/T Ladick; Clerk Moe; City Attorney Beveridge; Directors Ostrowski, Lemke, Schatschneider; Ald. Doxtator, Ryan, Mrozek, McComb, Oberstadt; Police Sergeant Plotrowski; Deputy C/T Freeberg; Brandi Makuski; Nate Enwald; Barb Jacob; Armin Nebel; Bob Fisch; Jerry Jones; Nadine Jones

ITEM #1 – SALE OF ELECTRONIC SIGN FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION #1 TO VALLEY COMMUNITIES CREDIT UNION.

Motion made by Ald. Phillips, seconded by Ald. Van Stippen, to approve the sale of the electronic sign from the Fire Department Station #1 to Valley Communities Credit Union for \$10,000.

Ayes: Ald. Phillips, Patton, Van Stippen and Kneebone Nays: None
Abstained: Ald. Slowinski Motion carried.

ITEM #2 – BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION RELATED TO CREATION OF AN IT POSITION AND SETTLEMENT OF LABOR CONTRACT WITH STEVENS POINT POLICE OFFICERS ORGANIZATION.

C/T Ladick explained this is not something we do very often. It is done when we have major changes, especially changes between departments. We originally budgeted money for the IT Contracted Services at the beginning of the year because that was the direction we were thinking we were headed and then it was decided to hire an in-house person, so we are moving money from the Contracted IT Services to the IT Department lines items. We are also moving money from IT Contracted Services into the line item for the IT Coordinator in the Police Department as that position was suppose to be cut down to 2/3's once the new IT position started, but that has taken longer than anticipated. The Police Department Union has settled their contract, so we are moving money from the line item "Levy for Contingencies" into those salaried line items in the Police Department.

Motion made by Ald. Patton, seconded by Ald. Kneebone, to approve the budget amendment as presented of expense accounts 1-10 and existing accounts 1-9.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

ITEM #3 – REQUEST FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF HANDRAILS AT THE LINCOLN CENTER.

C/T Ladick stated this was brought forward a few months ago and Portage County now has some bids. There are two bids, the lowest bid is \$10,490, which would replace the handrails and also some concrete work as one of the handrails is in a concrete block that is cracked as well.

Ald. Slowinski questioned if this covers all the handrails, C/T Ladick replied yes, all the outside rails.

Ald. Phillips asked how many rails there are, C/T Ladick replied he believes there are three.

Ald. Phillips questioned if we couldn't get anyone local to do this. C/T Ladick replied he would have to ask Portage County. The current process is that we have the County bid it out, get the bids and then forward them to us along with a recommendation.

Ald. Van Stippen questioned if there were other bids, but these were the only ones submitted to us. C/T Ladick replied his understanding is that these were the only two vendors that responded because typically he usually gets three bids back from them.

Ald. Slowinski questioned if there is a time line as to how long these last or whether or not there is a warranty. C/T Ladick replied since they are stainless steel, they should last a long time.

Motion made by Ald. Kneebone, seconded by Ald. Slowinski, to approve the low bid from Eagle Construction in the amount of \$10,490 to repair or replace the outside handrails at the Lincoln Center.

Ayes: Ald. Slowinski, Patton, Van Stippen and Kneebone Nays: Ald. Phillips
Motion carried.

ITEM #4 – APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.

Motion made by Ald. Phillips, seconded by Ald. Van Stippen, to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$1,590,302.21.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

Adjournment at 7:10 p.m.