Finance & Judiciary Committee Meeting
MINUTES
September 28th, 2010
6:00 p.m.

Members: Ben Kessler, Chair, Richard Sharp, Rick Weber

Roll Call: All present.

Others present: Mayor Brennan, Lou Chodosh, Beecher Hale, Bill Harvey, Matt Lampke, Bruce Langner, Jed Morison, President McClelland, Gary Qualmann, Chief Rinehart and Richard Sharp.

Review of Minutes: July 27th, 2010 - **Approved**

Presentation and/or Special Guests: Tony Lombardo, McGohan & Brabender

Mr. Qualmann explained that he had spoken with Mr. Lombardo a couple of times over the past few weeks and explained Council's wish to explore additional options that could reduce the premiums. We discussed what type of things we could change along with what the actual value of those items would be. Mr. Lombardo distributed information which reflected the current plan and proposed plans with Anthem. Some of the different options included a higher deductible along with the new option of an "embedded" deductible for family coverage. There were several options discussed including the process of having the employee medical forms completed for possible quotes from other carriers. There was emphasis placed on the required five year medical history that would need to be included in order to receive quotes from other carriers. This is a new process for the City of Bexley. The employees were not previously required to complete medical applications. Since the number of employees is less than 100, medical underwriting has been changed and this requirement has been added and is required. Mr. Lombardo explained that he would not have the exact renewal rate until early or mid October and would provide those numbers to us as soon as possible. He said the average increase for a group is 18-20%. Mr. Lombardo said his firm would be willing to help us with the completion of the employee enrollment forms to help expedite the process. Mr. Lombardo said he would also explore the possibility of the City of Bexley joining the Ohio Benefits Cooperative that has been in place 12 or 13 years. This co-op has never received a single increase but it is also very hard to be accepted. The co-op is administered by McGohan & Brabender and is insured through Anthem. It is something we can definitely take a look and will not have to wait until we have the employee's health applications for underwriting purposes since Anthem already has all of the information.

We can not send out the survey prior to October 1st and this is something that you would want to provide the employees and give no more than one week to complete it. Once the forms are returned, it takes one week at best to receive rates. Mr. Lombardo said he

needs a number from Council that would acceptable as an increase in order to negotiate properly with Anthem. Mr. Qualmann said he would meet with Mr. Hale and the Mayor to discuss the figures and provide that information to Tony within the week.

Ordinances & Resolutions

Third Readings.
None.

Second Readings.

Ordinance 37-10 authorizing the transfer of $83,728.70 from the Road, Alley and Sidewalk Fund to the Bond Retirement Fund and to appropriate $83,728.70 from the Bond Retirement Fund and to appropriate $17,149.25 from the Water Fund (total appropriation of $100,877.95) for the purpose of paying 2010 debt service on General Obligations Bonds issued June 24, 2010, introduced by Mr. Kessler (Introduced on September 14, 2010) **No Action**

Ordinance 39-10 to appropriate $25,000 from the unencumbered General Fund for the purpose of paying income tax collection fees for the remainder of 2010, introduced by Mr. Kessler (Introduced on September 14, 2010) **No Action**

Resolution 16-10 accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor, introduced by Mr. Kessler, (Introduced on September 14, 2010) **No Action**

First Readings.

Ordinance 41-10 to amend Sections 1060.10 and 1060.105 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bexley to increase the rate for the collection and disposal of garbage, trash and brush within the City, and to declare an emergency, introduced by Mr. Kessler, (Introduced on September 28, 2010) **No Action**

New Business: Mr. Kessler said he will be asking the department heads to give a presentation to Council. He would like to have them come up with a scenario of what would happen if their budget was cut by 10%. He said they will have an extended Finance Meeting on October 12th beginning at 5:45 p.m.

Old Business: None

Adjourned 7:00 p.m.