

Finance & Judiciary Committee Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2009
6:00 p.m.

Members: Robyn Jones, Chairwoman, Jeff McClelland, Mark Masser

Roll Call: All Present (Mr. Masser had a late arrival due to a return from the airport.)

Others Present: Mayor Brennan, Lou Chodosh, Bill Harvey, Larry Heiser, Bruce Langner, Jed Morison, and Chief Rinehart

Review of Minutes: June 2, 2009 and June 9, 2009 – **Approved.**

Presentation and/or Special Guests: None

Executive Session to discuss negotiations per 223.04 (d) held at 6:10 p.m.
Executive Session ended at 6:50 p.m.

Ordinances & Resolutions –

a. Finance Committee Report– Robyn Jones, Chair

Third Readings.

None.

Second Readings.

None.

First Readings.

Ordinance No. 34-09 to appropriate \$48,354.00 from the Unencumbered General Fund for the purpose of paying the fire contract with the City of Columbus, introduced by Ms. Jones, (Introduced on June 23, 2009). **No Action**

Ordinance No. 35-09 to amend Ordinance 65-97 which placed a moratorium on the hiring of full-time and part-time employees, both new hires and replacement hires, to allow for the hiring of both full-time and part-time employees without the approval of Council, provided that the salary has been approved in the budget, introduced by Ms. Jones, (Introduced on June 23, 2009) **No Action**

Ordinance 36-09 to appropriate \$229,348.00 from the unencumbered General Fund for the purpose to purchase Service Department equipment and three

police cruisers, introduced by Ms. Jones, (Introduced on June 23, 2009) **No Action**

Ordinance 37-09 to appropriate \$15,000 from the unencumbered General Fund to provide for deaf interpretation and other special needs of the residents during City sponsored programs, meetings and events, introduced by Ms. Jones (Introduced June 23, 2009) **No Action**

Ordinance 38-09 to increase the salary of Ron Gould, Parks and Recreation Grounds Supervisor, to \$53,000 per annum beginning July 1, 2009, introduced by Ms. Jones (Introduced June 23, 2009) **No Action**

Ordinance 39-09 to allow for a fund to be created for the police officers to allow purchasing of equipment, introduced by Ms. Jones (Introduced June 23, 2009) **Motion to recommend to Council was made by Mr. Morison and seconded by Mr. Masser, vote was 3-0 – Passed.**

Chief Rinehart said this Ordinance applies to an equipment buy-back plan. There is equipment that the police officers would like to purchase that are not in the budget. The officers would actually own the equipment but with the help of this fund, they could have payments deducted from their pay checks without having to come up with the lump sum payment at the time of purchase. If a termination during a pay back issue ever occurred, the remaining amount owed would be deducted from their final pay. Chief Rinehart stated this is very common in most police agencies. In the long run, it does not cost the City any money and the result is better equipped officers. Mr. Morison stated the total amount would be \$5,000 and it would not be a loss but a zero percent interest loan. Mr. Morison said it is a good time to establish this fund due to the economy and cost of equipment. Chief Rinehart stated the officers are very excited about the plan.

Resolutions –

Resolution 9-09 to adopt on or before July 15, 2009, the Bexley 2010 Tax Budget to be submitted to the Franklin County Auditor, introduced by Ms. Jones, second reading, (Introduced on June 9, 2009) **No Action**

New Business: None.

Old Business: None.

Adjourned: 6:55 p.m.