

MINUTES

THE COMMON COUNCIL

OCTOBER 19, 2009

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF CHARLESTOWN WAS HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2009 AT 6:30 P. M. AT CITY HALL WITH MAYOR BOB HALL PRESIDING.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: TERRY PIERCE, DAN ROBERTS, MARK GOODLETT, SCOTT MCKECHNIE AND JEFF AARON, ALSO PRESENT WERE CLERK TREASURER DONNA COOMER AND CITY ATTORNEY MIKE GILLENWATER.

MAYOR BOB HALL SAID THIS MEETING IS RECONVENED FROM THE OCTOBER 12, 2009 BUDGET MEETING.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

DAN ROBERTS

SEPTEMBER 08, 2009 MINUTES:

CITY ATTORNEY MIKE GILLENWATER SAID HE WAS NOT PRESENT WHEN THE SEPTEMBER 08, 2009 MINUTES WERE VOTED ON. MIKE SAID THAT MEETING WAS ADVERTIZED AS A PUBLIC HEARING AND WE TOOK PUBLIC COMMENTS HOWEVER, THE MINUTES DID NOT REFLECT THAT.

MAYOR BOB HALL ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO AMEND THE SEPTEMBER 08, 2009 MINUTES TO INCLUDE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE MEETING AS A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2010 BUDGET AND NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS MADE.

JEFF AARON MADE A MOTION TO AMEND THE SEPTEMBER 08, 2009 MINUTES TO INCLUDE IT AS A PUBLIC HEARING AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE 2010 BUDGET, WITH A SECOND BY SCOTT MCKECHNIE, AND A NAY VOTE BY MARK GOODLETT. APPROVED 4-1.

JONATHAN JENNINGS SCHOOL PROPERTY:

SCOTT MCKECHNIE ASKED ABOUT THE STATUS ON THE PROPERTY AND CITY ATTORNEY MIKE GILLENWATER SAID BLANKENBAKER HAS COMPLETED THEIR SURVEY, WHICH IS 11+ ACRES AND HAS BEEN SENT TO THE APPRAISERS. MIKE SAID ONCE THE APPRAISALS ARE DONE THEN THE DISCUSSIONS CAN GET STARTED.

2010 BUDGET:

MAYOR BOB HALL PRESENTED THE THREE COMPONENTS USED TO DETERMINE THE BUDGET AND EXPLAINED HOW IT WORKS.

THE (AV) ASSESSED VALUE- THIS IS THE VALUE OF THE LAND WITHIN THE CITY BOUNDARIES.

THE TAX LEVY- AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE COLLECTED.

TAX RATE- THE RATE TO GET THE AMOUNT OF TAX MONEY NEEDED.

MAYOR BOB HALL STATED THE ASSESSED VALUE WENT DOWN THEREFORE TO COLLECT THE TAX LEVY THE RATE HAS TO GO UP. THE TAXPAYER IS NOT PAYING ANY MORE IN TAXES.

MAYOR BOB HALL SAID TO OPEN UP THE BUDGET PROCESS FOR ANY QUESTIONS ON THE BUDGET. MAYOR BOB HALL SAID THIS IS A EXTENSION OF THE LAST BUDGET MEETING AND TONIGHT THE BOARD CAN ASK ANY QUESTIONS, PASS THE BUDGET OR CONTINUE TO ANOTHER MEETING. JEFF AARON ASKED ABOUT CITY SERVICES DIRECTOR, PARKS ASSISTANT TO THE ADVISORY BOARD AND PART-TIME SALARIES. IF IT WAS THE DIGITAL CONNECTORS AND THINGS SUCH AS GRASS CUTTING. MAYOR BOB HALL SAID SOME OF IT IS. JEFF ASKED ABOUT THE PLANNING & ZONING BUDGET AND MAYOR BOB HALL SAID HE DOES NOT KNOW IF TONY MADE ANY CUTS IN HIS BUDGET AS, TONY MIGHT JUST SHIFT FUNDS WHEN NEEDED.

MARK GOODLETT ASKED ABOUT PART TIME EMPLOYEES IN WATER AND WASTEWATER. TERRY PIERCE ASKED HOW MANY EMPLOYEES IN SANITATION. MARK GOODLETT ASKED ABOUT RAISING PART-TIME DISPATCHERS SINCE THEY HAVE MADE \$11.05 AN HOUR FOR YEARS. MAYOR HALL SAID WE WOULD PUT IN THE ORDINANCE UP TO \$15.00 AN HOUR BECAUSE WE WANT THAT FLEXIBILITY. DAN ROBERTS ASKED ABOUT THE RECEPTIONIST MAKING ONLY \$10.82 PER HOUR AND THINKS THAT IS KIND OF LOW. MAYOR BOB HALL SAID IT IS NOT SINCE SHE GETS INSURANCE.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TAXES:

MARK GOODLETT SAID IN LIEU OF TAXES THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN GETTING A CHECK AND MARK SAID HE HAS BEEN TALKING TO THE FIRE DISTRICT AND THEY SAID THE PAYMENT SHOULD BE GOING TO THE DISTRICT. CLERK TREASURER DONNA COOMER SAID THE FIRE DEPARTMENT SUBMITS A CLAIM AND WE PAY IT AND HAVE BEEN FOR SEVERAL YEARS. MARK GOODLETT ASKED IF THE DISTRICT SHOULD SUBMIT A CLAIM. CLERK TREASURER DONNA COOMER TOLD MARK HE NEEDED TO TALK TO THE FIRE CHIEF JOHN HEAL. MAYOR BOB HALL SAID WE PAY WHO THE CONTRACT IS WITH AND TOLD MARK HE NEEDS TO GET WITH THEIR BOARD. CLERK TREASURER DONNA COOMER SAID THERE IS NO CONTRACT.

MARK GOODLETT ASKED ABOUT FUNDING OF POLICE CARS AND THE NEW STATION. MAYOR BOB HALL SAID CHIEF STEVE DEAN IS LOOKING AT ALTERNATIVES ON THE STATION.

MAYOR BOB HALL SAID THERE IS \$27,000.00 IN THE POLICE BUDGET THAT CAN BE ENCUMBERED. MAYOR HALL SAID WHAT HE WOULD LIKE CHIEF STEVE DEAN TO DO IS TRANSFER SOME OF THAT MONEY INTO THE MAINTENANCE FUND AS WE HAVE BEEN HIT WITH A LOT OF VEHICLE REPAIRS. MAYOR BOB HALL SAID THE LIGHTNING LOADER HAS A BLOWN MOTOR AND THE COST WILL BE ABOUT \$6,000.00.

MAYOR BOB HALL SAID JEFF AARON HAS ASKED ABOUT PAVING AND BOB SAID THE MV HIGHWAY FUND HAS BEEN CUT FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND WILL BE CUT AGAIN NEXT YEAR. BOB SAID THERE IS \$150,000.00 LEFT IN THE FUND AND BOB WANTS TO ENCUMBER THAT AND MOVE IT INTO NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET. BOB SAID THERE WOULD BE AN ORDINANCE THAT ALLOWS US TO DO THAT, IT WOULD BE DONE IN JANUARY, AND IN THE 2010, BUDGET THERE WILL BE \$19,000.00 FOR MV HIGHWAY.

MAYOR BOB HALL SAID WE HAVE \$242,000.00 FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND AND WE WANT TO APPROPRIATE THAT INTO THE PAVING BUDGET. BOB SAID ON PHASE ONE OF THE LAKEVIEW HIGHVIEW PROJECT WE WILL GET THE \$600,000.00 BACK AND PART OF THAT HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO PAY OFF THE BOND SO WE CAN LOWER THE SEWER RATES.

MAYOR HALL SAID AFTER THE SEWER DEBT AND OUT OF THE EXTRA MONEY, WE WANT TO COMMIT ANOTHER \$200,000.00 TO PAVING MAKING NEXT YEAR'S PAVING BUDGET APPROXIMATELY \$611,845.00.

MAYOR BOB HALL SAID FROM LAST YEAR'S BUDGET TO THIS YEAR'S BUDGET WE WOULD HAVE \$57,000.00. WE HAVE \$25,000.00 IN THE CUM CAP THAT WE WOULD COMMIT TO THE SIDEWALK FUND AND \$74,000.00 FROM LAKEVIEW HIGHVIEW GIVING US \$156,000.00 IN THE SIDEWALK FUND.

MAYOR BOB HALL SAID WE HAVE \$20,000.00 FOR DRAINAGE IN THE BUDGET BUT WE WILL SPEND BETWEEN \$6,000.00 AND \$8,000.00 ON THE GLENDALE DRAINAGE PROJECT. BOB SAID WE WILL END WITH ABOUT \$12,000.00 IN THE BUDGET AND WE WILL CARRY THAT OVER AND COMMIT ANOTHER \$43,000.00 MAKING THE TOTAL \$55,000.00 FOR NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET.

MAYOR BOB HALL PRESENTED ORDINANCE 2009-OR-13 AN ORDINANCE FOR THE APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES.

JEFF AARON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2009-OR-13 ON THE FIRST READING, WITH A SECOND BY DAN ROBERTS. APPROVED 5-0.

JEFF AARON MADE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND APPROVE ORDINANCE OR-13, WITH A SECOND BY DAN ROBERTS. APPROVED 5-0.

DAN ROBERTS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE OR-13 FOR THE SECOND AND FINAL READING, WITH A SECOND BY SCOTT MCKECHNIE. APPROVED 5-0.

ORDINANCE 2009-OR-12:

THIS IS THE ELECTED SALARIES ORDINANCE AND THERE WERE NO CHANGES FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

MARK GOODLETT MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2009-OR-12 ON THE FIRST READING, WITH A SECOND TERRY PIERCE. APPROVED 5-0.

TERRY PIERCE MADE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND APPROVE ORDINANCE OR-12, WITH A SECOND BY SCOTT MCKECHNIE. APPROVED 5-0.

JEFF AARON MADE A MOTION APPROVE ORDINANCE OR-12 FOR THE SECOND AND FINAL READING, WITH A SECOND BY SCOTT MCKECHNIE. APPROVED 5-0.

ORDINANCE 2009-OR-11:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CITY EMPLOYEES SALARIES. THERE IS ONE CHANGE WHICH IS RAISING THE PART TIME DISPATCHERS MAXIMUM SALARY TO \$15.00 PER HOUR. THEIR CURRENT PAY OF \$11.05 DOES NOT CHANGE BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT IS IN THE BUDGET.

SCOTT MCKECHNIE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2009-OR-11 ON THE FIRST READING, WITH A SECOND MARK GOODLETT. APPROVED 5-0.

JEFF AARON MADE A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND APPROVE ORDINANCE OR-11, WITH A SECOND BY DAN ROBERTS. APPROVED 5-0.

SCOTT MCKECHNIE MADE A MOTION APPROVE ORDINANCE OR-11 FOR THE SECOND AND FINAL READING, WITH A SECOND BY DAN ROBERTS. APPROVED 5-0.

BONUSES:

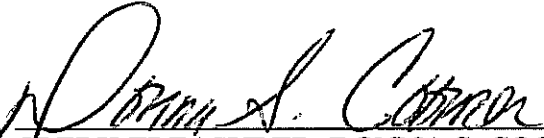
JEFF AARON ASKED ABOUT THE BONUSES AND MAYOR BOB HALL SAID WE WOULD DO AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE MONEY FROM THE HOSPITAL FUND INTEREST MONEY. DAN ROBERTS ASKED IF THE BONUSES WERE \$1,000.00 AND BOB SAID IT WAS UP TO \$1,000.00.

ADJOURNMENT:

TERRY PIERCE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING, WITH A SECOND BY SCOTT MCKECHNIE. APPROVED 5-0.



MAYOR, G. ROBERT HALL 11-2-09
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CLERK TREASURER, DONNA S. COOMER
ATTEST

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