

FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MAY 11, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Mark Weber. Committee members present were Deborah Born, Tim McCarthy, and Mark Weber. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, Kate Sandretto, Law Director, Dave Creps, Finance Director, Amber Rathburn, Deputy Finance Director, and Steve Bronder, Income Tax Commissioner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Weber said that hearing no objections, the minutes of the April 13, 2021 meeting were approved. Ms. Born said that she was abstaining because they were already approved at the City Council meeting.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Committee reviewed expenditures greater than \$5,000 for the month of April. There were questions regarding police training equipment, health insurance claims, and payments to the Convention and Visitors' Bureau. There was a brief discussion about the hotel tax and how it is distributed.

Mr. Creps reported that the balance in the health insurance fund as of April 30, 2021 was \$93,276.64 which is down from March. He said that some fairly big claims were paid last month.

Ms. Sandretto stated that the first piece in the street tree assessment and the lighting assessment, the Resolution of Necessity, were approved last month. She said the next step in the process is the ordinance to proceed and the ordinance approving the assessment. Ms. Born asked why we do these assessments instead of the costs coming from the general fund. Mr. Creps said he strongly recommends against eliminating the assessments. He said the Ohio Revised Code allows it and by assessing it, it ensures that these items are the City's responsibility. The Committee agreed 3-0 to forward the ordinances on to City Council.

TAX COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Mr. Bronder reported that tax collections for the month of April were just shy of \$2.2 million dollars. He said that it was not a typical April since the due date was extended. He said that we are up 4% over April of 2020, but that was also not a typical April. He said year to date collections are \$7.1 million dollars which is up 4.1% over last year. He said that it will probably be some time after July until we can do a real comparison to 2020.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Born said that Buckeye State Bank coming to Perrysburg is a great thing. She said they also plan to have other businesses at the bank, and she has heard maybe there will be a local coffee house.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Weber, Chairman
Finance & Economic Development Committee

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.