



Village of Reminderville  
Finance Meeting  
September 24, 2019

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Mr. Wiggins at 5:45pm

**Roll Call**

Mr. Wiggins, present  
Ms. Smalley, present  
Mr. Petrovich, present  
Mr. DiCarlo, present  
Ms. McCaffery, present

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Smalley moved to approve the minutes from September 10, 2019. Ms. McCaffery seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wiggins started going through the payment register. There were no questions.

Mr. DiCarlo moved to accept payments totaling \$68,300.24. Mr. Petrovich seconded. All in favor.

The Fire Department presented their 2020 budget. Chief Plunkett stated there are no significant changes from last year except for the contract for Twinsburg dispatching services. Ms. Wordell said there are also two payments left on the lease for the pumper truck. Mr. DiCarlo said normally the money for the vehicle fund is not in the Fire Income Tax budget but in the JEDD line item for Fire Vehicle Purchase. After 2018 the FD had \$200,000 saved and that was removed last year from the JEDD. Mr. Wiggins said the money was not removed; it was just moved to another line item. Mr. DiCarlo said the money has disappeared and has been appropriated for others to use. Mr. Wiggins said last year Council decided to set funds aside in a reasonable way to be spent, not for a specific department, but to a specific purpose that was general enough for the Village to use. There was a threat of almost a million in litigation so they tried to hedge that threat with funds that were available to move. Mr. DiCarlo said the money is not where they had been putting it, now it is in the Fire Income Tax budget and it

makes the FD budget look higher than it has been in the past. Ms. Wordell stated his budget does not include the Fire Income Tax fund, as it is a separate budget, so his 2020 department budget is only 6% higher. She met with Chief Plunkett and they both agreed it would be moved as well as Mayor Alonso agreeing it would be moved. She continued that Council can make changes if they choose to after the budget has been recommended from Finance Committee. Mr. DiCarlo asked Chief Plunkett if he was planning on asking for pay raises higher than 3% as he talked about at the beginning of 2019 because it was not showing that in this budget. Chief Plunkett said he is not asking for that because it was very contentious when it was being discussed at that time. They received half of the increase he requested; he will not be asking for the other half this year but possibly next year. This budget includes the usual 3% pay increase request.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

Ms. Smalley moved to adjourn. Ms. McCaffery seconded. All in favor.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Task, Clerk of Council

Rodney Wiggins, Finance President