



Village of Reminderville
Finance Meeting
October 12, 2021

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Mr. DiCarlo at 5:29pm

Roll Call

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

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Smalley moved to approve the minutes from September 28, 2021. Mr. Wiggins seconded. All in favor.

Mr. DiCarlo started going through the payment register. There were no questions or comments.

Mr. Wiggins moved to accept payments totaling \$26,296.34. Mr. Milani seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Milani moved to accept September's bank statement without incident. Ms. McCaffery seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wiggins asked for an explanation why the historic budgetary ceiling approach to the budget could not be used. Mr. DiCarlo read the statement for the historic ceiling approach: "To take the last five years and the absolute most that you can do the current year is the average of those five years." He continued that it could only then be between the highest and the lowest and could never be higher than the highest. In 2021, the departments' budgets were cut 20% so using that equation you could never get back to normal if the ceiling is using the average. He added they didn't discuss how it could be corrected. Mr. Wiggins said the intent was to use that as a starting point for the fiscal officer to be able to do the estimated budget to give to Finance Committee and the department heads could then justify to the Finance Committee if they wanted to deviate from that. They can't start with a zero approach; the budget needs a soft ceiling. He added that

is the process that was approved by Council. Mr. DiCarlo agreed and said they might want to discuss wording it a bit to be better understood. The discussion on the 2022 budget continued. Mr. DiCarlo said after seeing the projected revenues, they can add the savings funds for police \$30,000, fire \$30,000, service \$20,000, and RAC \$30,000, and pretty much break even without touching capital and not taking into account the carryovers. The budget also includes the 3% pay increase for the departments. Mr. Wiggins said his memory is that service department would not get the 3% increase due to receiving raises in the spring, per Council's discussion at that time. Mr. DiCarlo remembers that but suggested they confirm. Mr. DiCarlo said the fire department uses their own funding for their budget and the service department will have close to the same budget as last year. Mr. Wiggins asked about the \$42,000 expense for Rents and Leases for the RAC appropriated in 2021 but not in years prior nor in the budget for 2022. Ms. Wordell was not in attendance; they will ask her at the next meeting.

Mr. Wiggins moved to recommend the 2022 budget as presented to Council to be amended with discussion on the 3% pay increase for the service department and the savings funds to be added. Ms. Smalley seconded. All in favor.

Old Business

New Business

Ms. Smalley announced she has submitted her resignation from the Finance Committee. She is on another committee and feels it is time. Her last meeting will be on October 26.

Mr. DiCarlo stated the next meeting will start at 6:30pm.

Mr. Wiggins moved to adjourn. Mr. Milani seconded. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 6:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Task, Clerk of Council

Thomas DiCarlo, Finance President