

**VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE  
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**(Final Minutes)**

**Finance Committee**

September 26, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chairman Pat Kenny at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, September 26, 2023

**Members Present:** President Pat Kenny, Bob Klockars, Thomas Freytag, Mike Sheyker, Tom Marek, Jim Feeney

**Members Absent:** Rob Rowe

**Also Present:** Treasurer Liz Baumann, Police Chief Jeff Cates, Administrator Theresa Loomer, Deputy Fire/EMS Chief Rick Manthy

**Visitors Heard**

None

**General Business**

**Approve Minutes for Meeting held on September 18, 2023**

Klockars/Sheyker 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to table the approval of the September 18, 2023 minutes until they were ready for approval, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Finance Committee's Initial Review of Preliminary 2024 Budget Worksheets for Police, Fire & Rescue, and Administration and Debt Service**

**Police:** Chief Cates presented the Police 2024 budget with his number one request being the addition of a full-time officer. They had a situation this summer where they were down two officers. Chief Cates stated this idea has been presented to the Protection committee. Salaries and wages will be presented at the next budget workshop meeting. Item number two is replacing a squad car with an estimated cost of \$60,000. Tasers are the next larger item and Chief Cates recommended a package deal of model # 7 which includes cartridges and training at a cost of \$3,800.00. Also in the 2024 Police budget is a laptop for Chief Cates at a cost of \$1,200 and a tablet for Mantis training system at \$500. Other needs are cones in the squads at \$800 along with door jam devices for \$200. Treasurer Baumann noted that the county wide radios are in the 2024 capital budget with a cost of \$75,500.

**Public Safety building:** Replacing the roof for the Public Safety Building was approved by the board in 2023. The roof is a twenty-year roof that was installed in 1979. Chief Cates would like to add three camera systems, one at the public safety building, one at duck pond, and one at the beach house that will be capable of recording a license plate.

**Fire:** Deputy Chief Manthy stated that the biggest change in the 2024 budget is we put 100% for what we will be spending with the understanding that we will be invoicing Williams Bay back for 50%, so many of the line-item expenses will say, "split with W/B". Capital items requests are \$6,600 for 5 AEDs which are 10 years old, and \$7,000 for dive gear as they will be adding another diver to the department. They are also requesting two self-contained breathing apparatus at \$10,000 along with 7-10 CPR mannequins at \$1750 so they can teach CPR to the public. The county wide radios are back in the budget at \$169,600. They are also requesting \$1,000 to replace one office computer, \$4,000 for office furniture and \$3,500 for hose testing.

**EMS:** Deputy Chief Manthy stated as expected there is a large increase in medical supplies due to servicing Williams Bay, but the call revenue will offset the expenses. They are requesting a

\$12,000 increase in education expenses, as they are expecting to send one EMT to paramedic school.

**Administration:** Administrator Loomer presented the 2024 budget. She is requesting a 50% increase in legal professional expenses due to increase labor related issues with the larger staff. With the presidential election next year there is an expected increase in election supplies, and they are looking to purchase four new election booths at \$1,500. Also, they would like to add security cameras to the village hall at a cost of \$2,500. Loomer would like to allocate \$5,000 to repair the showers at the beach house, \$10,000 to repair the beach rake, and \$2,000 for an AED to be kept at beach house. The village will budget \$87,500 for the Lake Use Committee to repair the dam and a \$40,000 contribution to water pollution control. Loomer stated the village will be borrowing for the 2024 Capital Improvement Projects.

### **Set Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be the third budget workshop on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 PM

### **Adjournment**

Klockars/Sheyker 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 5:12pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Liz Baumann, Treasurer

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Finance Committee, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 1/25/2024