

THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO
Proceedings of the Huron City Council
Work Session Meeting Tuesday October 24, 2017 at 5:30p.m.

A work session meeting of the City Council of the City of Huron, Ohio was called to order by Mayor Hartung on Tuesday October 24, 2017 at 5:30p.m. in the Council Room of Huron City Hall, 417 Main Street, Huron, Ohio.

The following members of Council were present: Rick Schaffter, Trey Hardy, Phyllis Wassner, Brad Hartung, Joe Dike and Sam Artino. Members absent: Glen Ginesi.

City administration/staff present: City Manager Andy White, Law Director Laura Alkire, Finance Director Cathy Ramey, Assistant to the City Manager Mike Spafford, and Management Services Coordinator ~ Clerk of Council Christine Gibboney. Joining the meeting in progress were officials and associates of OPC, LLC: Hank Rapport, Jeff McCourt, Sarah Ryzner, Tom Clancy and Dr. Michael Wolfe.

New Business

2018 Proposed Budget Review

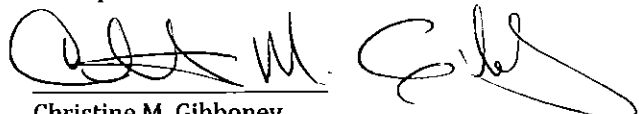
Mr. White recapped budget discussions/review within recent Finance Committee meetings. Items of note:

- Zoning/Planning - proposed budget has increased with changes to staffing to include Doug Green in a FT capacity, addition of a PT Administrative Assistant, and a PT Zoning Inspector. Referenced the Building Official with regard to changes in the Ohio Mobile Home Park administration through the Department of Commerce.
- Budgeting at 2% increase for all non-classified personnel. Healthcare Insurance will be budgeted at \$20,000 per employee in 2018 versus the current \$15,000.
- Conservative revenue forecasting proposed for 2018; anticipated new customer revenue not being included in the proposed budget.
- Mr. Spafford referenced the upcoming Finance Committee meeting where capital financing review with Sudsina & Associates will take place.
- Referenced the Storm Water Fee revenue, noting that the Street Foreman has requested specs for a leaf pickup machine for 2018.
- Municipal Court - referenced operations, staffing, proposed 2018 Budget which reflects a deficit. Budgeted 3% increases with additional 4% merit for Clerk of Court and 3.5% merit for staff. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the proposed 2018 budget of the court, fees/fine revenue declining, recapped history of departmental staffing, referenced that funds from the General Fund are used when the court budget is not balanced. It was noted that the Court budget does not include the same costs for admin, utilities, etc. that other departments are charged. Discussion regarding a request for accounting ensued.

Other Business

Mr. White recognized officials and associates of OPC, LLC who were in attendance to provide City Council information on a facility their company is looking to construct within the city on private property and their plans for same. OPC noted their firm was talking to the owner of the former Burger King facility. Mr. White pointed out that this is private property and the only city involvement would be the Planning Commission/DRB as is the standard for all commercial business construction. Officials from OPC provided an overall description of the facility and presented conceptual designs which they noted would go through the city's Planning Commission/DRB for approval.

The work session meeting of October 24, 2017 adjourned at 6:38p.m.


Christine M. Gibboney
Clerk of Council