



**City of Derby
Board of Apportionment & Taxation**

Monday – 20 September 2010

Pledge of Allegiance - all rose and pledged allegiance.

Roll Call - Tim Conlon, James Butler, Anita Dugatto, Frank Lazowski, Judy Szewczyk, Mark Nichols, Carolyn Duhaime, Jeremy Bell and Nelson Cummings. Absent: Carlo Malerba.

Additions, Deletions & Corrections to the Agenda

There is an addition by the Mayor for funding of a police dog, discussion and possible action to be addressed after the approval of minutes. **A MOTION** to accept the addition by Ms. Duhaime with a second by Mr. Nichols, all in favor, Ms. Dugatto opposed, **motion carried.**

Public Portion

No one from the public spoke, public portion was closed.

Approve 19-July 2010 Minutes

A MOTION by Mr. Bell with a second by Mr. Conlon, all in favor, Ms. Duhaime abstained, **motion carried.**

Approve 16-August 2010 Minutes

A MOTION by Mr. Cummings with a second by Ms. Duhaime, all in favor, Mr. Bell abstained, **motion carried.**

Funding for a Police Dog

Mayor Staffieri apologized for the lateness of the item to the agenda. The police department finalized their numbers regarding the K-9 unit. There has been violence in the City and a police dog would be a welcoming unit in helping the police department.

Deputy Chief Narowski addressed the board with numbers related to the purchase of the dog, vehicle conversion, and overtime for care and maintenance of the K-9. The numbers represent a yearly cost and first year minimum cost. Two programs were presented; CSP 16 week K-9 training program and the Renbar 8 week K-9 training program. The CSP courses are as they are available where the Renbar program have on-going courses and the dogs are pre-trained.

This would be new funding and the police line item for overtime is slightly over spent due to the summer activity.

Deputy Chief Narowski suggests a onetime transfer to an account called K-9 in the amount of \$23,520.00 to cover the CSP 16 Week Training Program expenses minus the overtime care and grooming.

There isn't any grant funding available.

Ansonia, Seymour or Shelton has assisted with this service in the past for no charge, but there is a waiting period to get the dog there.

A MOTION by Mr. Butler to approve an expenditure for \$23,520.00 for the police program taken from the special working balance 8400-390-0391, to be dealt with again at the next tax board meeting and contingent that there is no action needed by the Board of Aldermen, second by Ms. Duhaime, discussion

Recap....the motion as amended by Mr. Conlon and accepted by Mr. Butler is to open a new line called "K-9 program start-up" and transfer \$23,520.00 from the special working balance 8400-390-0391, with the understanding that no approval is needed by the Board of Aldermen....

discussion....K-9 control and K-9 subsidy is for the dog warden, Ms. Dugatto feels this is a luxury, Mr. Nichols feels he will vote against this, Mr. Cummings is concerned about the financing and wants to know if the police department could fund the overtime, Deputy Chief Narowski is unsure of that at this time, some members would like more clarity....

all in favor, there are opposed votes: Mr. Lazowski, Ms. Dugatto, Mr. Butler and Mr. Nichols, the **motion fails**.

Ms. Szewczyk asked Deputy Chief Narowski to bring back more detailed information from the union.

Community Development –

Establish Elizabeth Street & Seymour Avenue Paving Line Items

Authorize Finance Office to create Revenue line item " Project No. 36-187 Reimbursement"

Authorize Finance Office to create Expenditure line item "Project No. 36-187 Paving"

Increase latter two newly created line items \$428,642.00

A MOTION to approve by Ms. Duhaime with a second by Mr. Butler, all in favor, **motion carried**.

Town Clerk –

Rollover unexpended 2009/2010 grant monies

Increase 6000-690-6918 "Appropriate from Fund Balance" \$6,353.90

Increase 1300-480-0489 "City Preservation Current" \$6,353.90

A MOTION to approve by Mr. Lazowski with a second by Mr. Butler, all in favor, Ms. Dugatto is opposed, **motion carried**.

Registrar of Voters -

Align 2010-2011 budget with budget work shop discussions

Authorize the Finance Office to create wage line item for registrars' "extra" work and fund

A MOTION to approve by Mr. Nichols with a second by Mr. Lazowski, discussion.....this is to differentiate from the regular line item and is for extra wages for primaries, Ms. Szewczyk stated the money was pulled out from the budget workshop and put aside in the special working balance. The registrars stipend is \$1,500.00, there is some confusion as to where the money was originally placed and the amount for the extra work (in the wage line item or special working balance) Mr. Domurad will follow up with Ms. Pitney on the exact dollar amount needed to fund and where the money went. Mr. Nichols accepts the amendments, all in favor, **motion carried**.

Executive Session

Discussion and possible action regarding offer to resolve, Basser-Kaufman of Derby LLC & Charles S. Opuszynski Trust, v. Derby, 600 New Haven Ave. and 552 New Haven Ave

A MOTION to go into Executive Session by Mr. Cummings with a second by Ms. Duhaime and inviting Corporation Counsel Joseph Coppola, City Treasurer Keith McLiverty, Director of Finance Henry Domurad and Mayor Staffieri at 7:50 p.m., all in favor, **motion carried**. Executive Session ended at 8:06 p.m.

A MOTION by Mr. Cummings, second by Mr. Nichols to transfer an amount to be determined by the Assessor and to create a line item in department 2100, entitled "552-600 New Haven Avenue refund" and transfer an amount not to exceed \$215,000.00 but to be determined by the Assessor and increase the revenue side 6000-690-6918 by an amount not to exceed \$215,000.00 but to be determined by the Assessor, all in favor, **motion carried**.

Adjourn

A MOTION to adjourn by Mr. Bell, second by Mr. Lazowski at 8:08 p.m., all in favor, **motion carried**.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Denise Cesaroni
Recording Secretary*

******These minutes are subject to the approval by the Board of Apportionment & Taxation at their next regular meeting.**