
VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD

COUNCIL FINANCE (BUDGETARY HEARING) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2020

PRESENT:

Johnnie Warren – Council President*

Brian Thompson- Finance Director

Elaine Gaither- Council at Large

Gary Gottschalk-Mayor

Chris Callender – Ward 1*

Eloise Hardin – Ward 2

Melanie Sanders-Ward 3

Patricia Rogers – Ward 4

Candace Williams – Ward 5*

ABSENT:

* Arrived after roll call

Thompson opened meeting at 6:07p

Senior Center Budget

Mayor reviewed the appropriations for 2019, expenditures for 2019, projections for 2020 and any changes. The one lady who works at the Community Center is being paid by House of Benjamin Rose and Oakwood. In Miscellaneous Contractual we spent \$4,854 and I am asking for \$5,000 in 2020. The Rose Center for Aging provides four days service and we provide Wednesdays. Lunches cost about \$300 a day. We expect more people coming in 2020. **Hardin** asked if he verifies residency. **Mayor**: They sign in. **Hardin**: It is verified? **Mayor**: Yes. We have a fair number of residents driving in. **Gaither**: You project more people; we are getting older. **Mayor**: Yes, more seniors taking advantage. Senior Enrichment includes the activities with a total of \$34,000. **Rogers**: They have it too good. **Mayor**: I am asking for \$2,000 more for this year. **Hardin**: Again, you verify residency. **Mayor**: Yes. We do bring in Walton Hills, but only on the events which are not limited. **Hardin** asked how we are compensated for that. **Mayor**: The Fire Contract. **Hardin**: Excuse me? **Thompson**: \$145,000 a quarter. **Mayor**: We only have five or six attend. **Hardin**: How do they verify their residents? **Mayor**: Dee knows them. They must show their ID; everyone does when they pay. He covered Wellness and Education, utilities and repairs and maintenance. The end of the year repairs will be billed in 2020. The men's room is more than the women's room. We are adding a canopy. **Hardin** asked why it is more. **Mayor**: These bathrooms haven't been touched in 20 years. They need renovation. **Hardin**: What they have done is nice. Sometimes people barbeque in the back. Have you thought about fixing that up? **Mayor**: I like that idea. It wouldn't be that expensive. **Warren** asked if it is related to the Community Center? We have the apartments there; what impact on the residents would it have if a resident is using that when someone is renting the center? **Rogers**: Would they be able to use it? **Warren**: If it is an open canopy, yes. I like the idea. **Mayor**: I will ask Tom when he arrives about equipment and office furniture. **Hardin** asked who picked the furniture. **Mayor**: She did. The projected amount is \$40,000 more due to the repairs and maintenance of the building.

2020 Census

Rogers asked about the Census. **Mayor**: A rep is meeting with Dee next week. **Rogers**: Can people complete the Census online? Maybe we can assist folks using the computers at the Community Center. **Mayor**: The rep. will be here next week. I can give you the time and date.

Mayoral Budget

Warren asked if this is year-to-date ending December 31, 2019. **Thompson**: Yes. **Mayor**: There is no overtime in my department. Printing and Reproduction was appropriated at \$4,200 but we spent \$8,900. Without taking positions, we informed voters of the issues on the ballot. When I did take a position on an issue, I paid for the publication myself. There

was a lot of information coming out of the Mayors office as we expect this year. With the election on March 17th, I will put something out at my expense within the first week of March. He covered Professional Dues. **Warren** asked about Mayors Court renewal. **Mayor**: That is included; it is \$180.00. Miscellaneous Contractual which covered Cell Phone, Tony Chandler, productions, a broken toilet at Mt. Zion and carpet cleaning. **Hardin** asked about the \$800 expense. **Mayor**: I couldn't verify the broken toilet. **Rogers**: We have a Recreation Director. Why do we continue to pay Tony Chandler? **Mayor**: She is a professional with tours. This year we are going to the Ford Museum in Detroit. **Rogers**: Don't we have enough one-tank trips in Ohio? **Mayor**: Occasionally it is nice to see things like this. We go to a lot of places in Ohio as we are this year. **Gaither** asked about the Tony Chandler expenses. **Mayor**: She does four or five trips a year. We had two cruises last year. She goes on the trips as well. **Gaither**: Isn't Ms. Perez able to do some of this since she is on payroll? **Warren** asked about it as well. **Mayor**: She planned the Underground Railroad. We are taking more advantage of Carlean now. I see less happening with Tony down the road. **Hardin**: Can we say since Ms. Perez is taking a more active role in trips should we expect to see Tony next year? **Mayor**: This year yes, but next year not at all. **Rogers** asked if we are responsible for the broken toilet. **Warren**: Allegedly it was found to be broken after one of our events.

Family Enrichment

Mayor described the events. **Hardin** asked about Tall Ships and Tony Chandler. Why are you paying her for an escort fee when you already paid her? **Warren**: Another \$2,500. It is now close to \$3000 with Chautauqua trip? **Mayor**: She also works out where lunch is being served, etc. See what Beachwood pays. **Warren**: We are not looking at Beachwood, we are looking at Oakwood. **Mayor**: Carlean is doing more now. I hear what you are saying, and you will not see her name next year. **Warren**: Ms. Perez can plan the trips. **Mayor**: How would she know how much to pay for the boat and lunch? **Warren**: We go by what we paid last year. **Mayor**: I hear you. **Rogers**: Who is Tony Chandler? **Mayor**: She has a touring firm.

Mt Zion Events

Mayor explained the events. **Hardin** asked why Sam's Club breakfast cost \$1800. **Mayor**: \$3,000 total. **Rogers**: You have \$800 for the Dolphin, \$1,000 for Sharyn. **Warren**: Why is a dinner \$675 and breakfast \$1800? **Mayor**: You probably have a lot more people for the breakfast. **Warren**: You have more for that than the Chagrin Valley Theater? **Mayor**: Yes. You may get 80-120 for the theater. **Thompson**: Breakfast is \$6 per person. **Mayor**: Seniors are picky. He mentioned the Wendy's new manager isn't near as good as Bob was. **Hardin**: It is horrible. **Mayor**: I called Wendy's. **Rogers**: The place isn't clean. **Hardin**: Someone needs to contact headquarters. **Mayor**: I called but didn't get a return call. I have to follow up. It is important to have the right people in charge. **Rogers** asked about the Quality Inn. **Mayor**: It is changing to the Clarion. They are looking for a sign change. **Rogers**: We wanted to make sure it didn't change to something with less quality. **Mayor**: It is the same group. They got rid of the Holiday Inn because every 3-5 years, you must put upgrades of \$350,000 - \$1 million. This group put the money into building the Hampton Inn. **Warren**: Anytime the hotel is to change, it is supposed to be equal or better quality and management. **Rogers**: It was sold. **Mayor**: We are still getting thank you notes for the Mt. Zion Inspirational Elvis show. You can't underestimate the promotion for your community with these types of events. He explained the Healthy Oakwood and Gym membership. **Hardin**: \$15,000 for that event. Do we charge for that? I understand the positive impact overall, but what do you think about that cost? **Mayor**: It will most likely be around \$13,000 next year. There was a mix up on the air tickets. We normally don't pay for the hotel. **Hardin**: These types of events should have a charge connected to it. Can we afford to keep doing this? **Mayor**: We had the Stamps come in which added to the cost. We normally pass the bucket around. I didn't want to do that. **Warren**: The basket is passed around in church and that is a gospel event. **Mayor**: We could have charged \$5.00. That room holds about 2,000. **Hardin**: Can we have a cost to events like that? **Mayor**: We will be doing something again this year, maybe Tosha Cobbs and have this show back.

Healthy Oakwood

Callender: If you join Lifetime Fitness how much do you get back? **Mayor**: A rebate of \$50-\$75. **Callender** asked how many participate in it? **Mayor**: I am not sure, but it is growing. It won't guarantee living longer, but you will feel better while you are living. **Hardin** asked how much his budget increased by the year. **Mayor**: \$8,000.00.

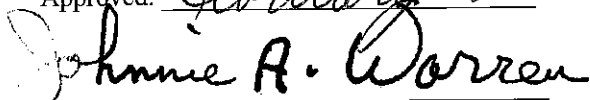
Community Center Renovation – Men’s Room

Mayor: Why is it costing more for the men’s room at the Community Center than the women’s room? **Haba:** We just did countertop, mirror, painted, installed LED lights and redid the ceiling and flooring. **Mayor:** One lady said thank you for fixing the one toilet seat, but it is moving again. **Haba:** I will look at that again. In the Men’s room, there was a leak in the stationary tub in the hallway. That wall is being replaced since it is rotted out. Drywall, new flooring and subflooring, making it ADA compliant by installing one toilet instead of having two stalls, which changes the drainage. **Mayor:** That building was built in the late 70’s and it hasn’t had much work over the years.

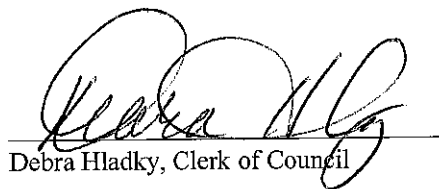
Mayor: Recreation will be covered at the next Finance meeting.

Meeting adjourned 7:00pm

Approved: February 25, 2020



Johnnie Warren, President


Debra Hladky, Clerk of Council

Senior 2020 Budget

	2019		2019		PROJECTED 2020		Change
	COUNCIL APPROVAL		Y-T-D		PERMANENT		
	APPROPRIATIONS	EXPENSES	APPROPRIATIONS	EXPENSES	APPROPRIATIONS	APPROPRIATIONS	
SENIOR CENTER FUND							
4708.51110 WAGES	6,500.00	6,492.05	7,280.00			787.95	
4708.51120 PERS	1,000.00	869.21	1,020.00			150.79	
4708.51140 MEDICARE	200.00	91.53	200.00			108.47	
4708.52150 MISC. CONTRACTUAL	17,500.00	4,854.41	5,000.00			145.59	
4708.52151 ROSE CENTER FOR AGING	14,062.50	11,248.00	11,248.00			-	
4708.52152 LUNCHES/Miles Farmers Mkt & SAM's Club	20,000.00	15,448.48	20,000.00			4,551.52	
4708.52156 SENIOR ENRICHMENT	33,500.00	34,596.62	37,500.00			2,903.38	
4708.52157 WELLNESS & EDUCATION	-	9,525.00	11,000.00			1,475.00	
4708.52158 TIME WARNER (CABLE/INTERNET) & DIRECT TV	5,500.00	5,847.39	5,900.00			52.61	
4708.52230 ELECTRIC	12,500.00	15,069.20	15,000.00			(69.20)	
4708.52240 OTHER UTILITIES	3,600.00	2,156.14	2,100.00			(56.14)	
4708.53130 REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	15,000.00	-	33,300.00			33,300.00	
4708.54110 OTHER EXPENSES	3,250.00	3,245.60	3,500.00			254.40	
4708.55110 EQUIPMENT	1,400.00	5,771.25	2,500.00			(3,271.25)	
TOTAL SENIOR CENTER	134,012.50	115,214.88	155,548.00			40,333.12	

This is a part of the legislation
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