

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – NOVEMBER 9, 2020

Members: Ressler, Chairman; Weiler, Vice Chairman; Zimmerman, Member; Barr, Alternate; Moore, Staff

Attendees: Ressler, Chairman; Weiler, Vice Chairman; Zimmerman, Member; Council President Rowe; Council Vice President Reinhold; Martin, Thompson, Moore, Staff; 0 Guests

The Budget & Finance Committee met on October 26, 2020, and discussed the following:

Action Items:

1. Staff reviewed with the Committee a request from the Police Department to liquidate some fleet vehicles through Municibid. The Committee will recommend that Borough Council approve the liquidation of six (6) 2016 Dodge Chargers and three (3) 2008 Chevrolet Impalas through Municibid as outlined in the Memorandum to the Chief of Police dated October 21, 2020.

Discussion Items:

1. Staff reviewed with the Committee a request from the Pioneer Fire Company regarding their need for a new truck. Last month, Council approved a request for the Borough to guarantee the upcoming debt for both fire companies to purchase new trucks. Pioneer is now asking the Borough to fund 64% of the proposed debt payment for the truck, which they estimate would be \$76,800 annually. The Fire Study hasn't been approved yet, so Council believes this request is premature. They will wait for additional information regarding purchase price and down money before making any decisions regarding this request.
2. Staff added this item to the agenda for the Committee to ask any questions they have regarding the budget that was presented on October 15th. Chairman Ressler requested the Fire Commission be broken out from the Emergency Management section to stand alone. He also suggested the Civic Contribution requests are presented at the October Budget & Finance meeting next year. Staff will add the requested application requests to the Dropbox now so they are available for committee members to review before the November Committee meeting. Mr. Zimmerman requested some additional percentages and color coding be added to the expenditures. Staff will provide some examples for the Committee to review for future use.
3. Staff provided two reports on the solicitor's invoices. The first report is sorted by invoice and the second report is sorted by project. No further action is required.
4. Staff provided the Check and ACH registers to the Committee for October to date. No further action is required.

Old Business Items:

1. Chairman Ressler reviewed the list of the requests from John Stewart. No further action is needed at this time. He suggested that Mr. Stewart attend a future meeting to ask additional questions.