

Finance Meeting Notes

March 23, 2020

6:03 P.M.

Anthony Taylor ,M. Chris Cunningham (via teleconference), Toni Harper, Connie Moyer, Lisa Burnworth, Ron Stephens

Chair person C. Moyer brought meeting to order

Topic: Mulberry street property: Monthly rental \$325.00 per month is paid in rent. Rent has not changed at least in UAN since 2013. The deed does not indicate that the rent was controlled. Connie also researched the water billing. No Water,Wastewater, It appears the village is absorbing these expenses. Research done on Zillow regarding rent for the area. Bavarian Village rent is approx..=\$400.00. looking for opinions from other finance members. M. Chris Cunningham suggested a letter advising 5 month notice of rent increase to \$400.00 and renter covers utilities such as Water, WW, and trash. Toni stated she agrees that rent should be increased to \$400 in 6 months time. Utilities responsible for immediately. Further discussion occurred.

Recommendation to Council: June 1st begin paying water, wastewater, trash, September 1st rent would increase to \$350.00 plus water, wastewater, trash. January 1st 2021- rent would increase to \$400.00 plus utilities. Rights to inspect property at the Village of Bremen's discretion with 24 hours notice.

Gov. Dewine suggested in his conference that we review our budgets with a potential. RITA potential increase. Toni asked some questions about implementation and timing. Could this be a staggered increases based on a calendar year. M. Chris suggested 50% for at least one year. Lisa stated that should could ask RITA about implementation. Toni expressed possibly 50%. I will ask about implementation dates if that must be on a calendar year.

Recommendation to Council: Wait until COVID-19 crisis is over and complete further investigation.

Topic: Discussion of 20-25 hours for position of Administrative Asst. Suggested this become effective around the 1st week of April. Anthony stated the Ordinance opening office certain hours would have to be amended or repealed. Anthony is fine with 32 hours. The Handbook states in order to be considered full time to be between 32-40 per week. Public has many options for payment of bills rather than in person. Lengthy discussion regarding this position and the hours and wages associated. Benefits would not be cut only hours

Recommendation to Council: Executive session for further discussion

Meeting adjourned 6:59pm.

Connie S. Moyer