

Safety, Health, and Service

October 10, 2016

The Safety, Health, and Service committee met at 7:15 PM. The following committee members were present, Rob Maurer, Dean Holland, and Kelly Ricklic. Also in attendance were Mayor Day, Ron McAbier, Darrin Lautenschleger, John Zucal, Cheryl Ramos, Julie Courtright, Sam Hitchcock, Aimee May, Marvin Fete, Fire Chief Jim Parrish and Greg Popham.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss submitting an application to participate in the Ohio Public Commission improvement program, The Goshen Township fire contract, and the International Property Maintenance Code.

Service Director Ron McAbier asked that the committee authorize the City of New Philadelphia to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Programs.

McAbier explained that the city is planning to make capital improvements to the existing WTP filter backwash line to the Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project. He mentioned that this is an important priority. Kelly Ricklic motioned to have Resolution 44-2016 added to the evenings agenda and recommended council approve as an emergency due to the timeliness of the application. Dean Holland seconded. Ricklic, Holland and Maurer approved.

The second item discussed was a brief overview by Fire Chief Jim Parrish on the Goshen Township fire contract. He felt that Goshen wasn't looking to contract with anyone else. He compared Dover and Dover Townships contract to New Phila's. He said that Dover receives less however Dover Township donates more money to projects. Parrish said that the current Goshen contract generates about \$28,000 per quarter.

Committee member Dean Holland asked why the Goshen Township residents pay less for fire protection than citizens who reside within New Philadelphia limits. Parrish felt Goshen could not afford the same amounts and that the contract figure has increased significantly over the years.

Committee Chair Rob Maurer asked that Parrish meet with the Mayor and Goshen Township Trustees to come up with a proposal that the committee could talk about.

Lastly, Chief Parrish asked that the committee adopt the International Property Maintenance Code to strengthen our current fire codes. This would be a supplement to our existing fire code. He passed out the Maintenance Code book to committee members. The committee will look over and hold a future meeting.

Kelly Ricklic adjourned the meeting at 7:28 PM

Sincerely,


Rob Maurer