

**SAFETY, HEALTH, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 22, 2018**

The Safety, Health, and Service Committee met Monday, October 22, 2018 at 7:01pm in the Council Chambers at the Knisely Centre.

In attendance were Safety, Health, and Service Committee Members:
Chair, Mr. Kelly Ricklic
Mr. Dan Lanzer
Alternate Dean Holland

Guests were:
President of Council Sam Hitchcock, Mayor Joel Day, Law Director Marvin Fete, Councilperson Aimee May, Service Director Ron McAbier, Mr. Tom Gerber, Mrs. Beth Gundy, Mr. John Zucal, Mrs. Cheryl Ramos, Council Clerk Julie Courtright, Fire Chief Jim Parrish

Committee Chair Mr. Ricklic reported that the Safety, Health, and Service Committee met Monday, Oct 22, 2018 at 7:01 PM in Council Chambers at the Knisely Centre to discuss the following items:

A Proposed Fire Department Grant for a burn building for Firefighter training.

Chairman Ricklic made the following statement:

The front matching funds were from the sale of the bricks for the building of the new fire station. The City portion of the \$300,000 project is already from sales of the bricks. Since the President of Council has put that in my Committee I've been in discussion with the Law Director stating there's no Legislation needed until the grant is awarded and we are going to get the funds. He has taken the position that we should go ahead and apply for it. If we get it then at that point we will do our 10% match in the partnership with the other fire station, or you need our support to apply for the grant.

Fire Chief Parrish had the following statement:

It's something along the lines of what the City of Uhrichsville did to support the grant. We would need a Resolution from Council.

Chairman Ricklic made the following comment:

What can we have ready for tonight? The deadline for application is October 26, 2018 at 5:00 PM.

Law Director Fete had the following comment:

I'd have to leave here and write something.

Fire Chief Parrish had the following comment:

This is not a requirement of the application but it's highly recommended. This would be behind the fire station. The reason for the rush is not our fault. This happens whenever FEMA puts out grants. You don't know when they're going to put them out. A regional grant rises to the top over singular grants so that's why we decided to do it that way, but it took a little bit of time once they announced it to get everybody to say yes we're in, or no we're not. That's why I'm here tonight at the last minute asking for a resolution in support of applying for the grant. It's urgent that we pass a resolution to go with it.

Councilwoman Ramos had the following question:

Due to the time limit on the application would it suffice for the Mayor to write a letter and we could cosign it?

Fire Chief Parrish had the following comment:

I suppose, but we already have a resolution from the City of Uhrichsville. So, as the lead agency I kind of felt like we had to do something too.

Councilman Zucal had the following response:

I just think if the City of Uhrichsville has a resolution it's awkward to me if we wouldn't have a resolution.

Law Director Fete had the following comment:

You guys have to tell me before tonight that this is the legislation we need. What I would suggest is that we make a motion for it and have a special meeting and turn it in before Friday.

Council discussed having a Special Meeting on Wednesday, October 24 at 5:15 PM

MR. MAURER MOTIONED FOR THE LAW DIRECTOR TO DRAW UP A RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT

MR. RICKLIC SECONDED THE MOTION

3 YEAS

THE LAW DIRECTOR WILL DRAW UP THE RESOLUTION TO HAVE READY FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION OF COUNCIL

Chairman Ricklic made the following statement:

Next on the Agenda, the International Property Maintenance Code. This was originally in Mr. Maurer's Committee. What I remember from that the Law Director wasn't in favor of the sample legislation because it superseded our current regulations. So, you wanted to draw up your own that was similar to other communities who have passed this.

Law Director Fete had the following comment:

What I looked at is what other countries had done, because the sample legislation of the International Property Maintenance Code says this supersedes our other legislation. I believe 2015 is the most current version of the code.

Councilwoman Ramos had the following question:

One of my concerns is that this is copyrighted. Is that a problem? Also, we have a lot of century old homes in our community. Who does the inspections?

Chief Parrish had the following comment:

That's not a problem, and the fire inspector does the inspections.

Law Director Fete had the following comment:

All legislation is discretionary. A perfect example of that is when President Obama decided not to enforce certain parts of Immigration Law.

Chairman Ricklic had the following comment:

This law is to protect us. They give you a reasonable amount of time to take care of any issue with your home.

Chief Parrish had the following comment:

In the history of the New Philadelphia Fire Department we cited one person. We're not in the business of citing people, we're in the business of promoting fire safety.

MR. MAURER MOTIONED FOR RESOLUTION 23-2018 TO BE PLACED ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA WITH A RECOMMENDED 3 READINGS

MR. LANZER SECONDED THE MOTION

3 YEAS

RESOLUTION 23-2018 WILL BE ADDED TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA

With no other matters to come before Committee Mr. Maurer Motioned to Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Ricklic, Committee Chairman, Safety, Health, and Service