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Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held May 15, 2017 at 7:00 PM. Present were Chairman Van Treuren, Mr. Janik, Mr. Winiarski, Mr. Goodell, Mrs. Wasilk, Mr. Dembinski and Mr. Miller. Also present were President Dietrich, Mayor Costilow, Safety Service Director Jeffreys, Treasurer Ramsey, Law Director Pecora, and members of the press. Auditor Kukucka and Assistant Law Director Carlson were absent having letters on file. Mr. Miller had moved to excuse these gentlemen. Second by Mr. Goodell. Voice vote 7-0 to excuse.

A-17-28 An ordinance authorizing the transfer of funds form #201-6001-52411 to #201-6001-52501 adding it to this year's street program, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Winiarski explained his reasoning behind the resolution. Mayor Costilow outlined the savings saying that the City realizes savings when a retired employee is rehired by the City. Mayor shared a legal opinion that it would be legal IF the ordinance was passed. Law Director Pecora expanded on the legal opinion on "why we can't do this". Mr. Dembinski asked if the base salaries are affected by the rehiring retirees; Mayor answer accordingly.

Mrs. Wasilk asked for clarification on example of Steve Sayers retire/rehire at Amherst Schools; whether he forfeited vacation and health insurance.

Mr. Goodell voiced his opposition to the proposed ordinance.

Mr. Miller voiced his understanding of the sediments behind the proposed ordinance, and also said he understands the argument that this could be legally tenuous. He said that he would like to see some sort of concession by perhaps bringing in retire/rehire employees at a lower salary or other ways to save money but said this ordinance is "not the way to go".

President Dietrich voiced his appreciation for how valuable older employees are how this ordinance would not be something that he supports. He said to either table it or kill it.

Mr. Winiarski said that he does not think that it is bad to ask for concessions. He said that he understands that insurance is not advisable but would still like some concessions.

Mr. Dembinski said that he is in favor of saving money but is also very much in favor of hiring the best person. He moved to kill this item. Mr. Wasilk thanked Mr. Winiarski for bringing this up and asking important questions. Law Director explained pension benefits that go on to retired individuals.

Second by Mr. Goodell. Roll call vote-6-1 with Mr. Winiarski voting no. Item is killed.

Mr. Miller moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Goodell. Voice vote 7-0 in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Phil Van Treuren, Chairman  
Executive Committee

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Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held May 15, 2017 at 7:00 PM. Present were Chairwoman Wasilk, Mr. Janik, Mr. Winiarski, Mr. Goodell, Mr. Van Treuren, Mr. Dembinski and Mr. Miller. Also present were President Dietrich, Mayor Costilow, Safety Service Director Jeffreys, Treasurer Ramsey, Law Director Pecora, Assistant Law Director Carlson, Auditor Kukucka and members of the press.

A-17-21        Increase appropriations for Donation Expenses Account 100-1001-2405; and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Janik moved to take this item to the floor of Council with emergency. Second by Mr. Goodell. Voice vote 7-0 in favor.

A-17-22        Increase appropriations for Refunds and Reimbursements Account 610-5003-52730.

Mr. Miller moved to take this item to the floor of Council. Second by Mr. Janik. Voice vote 7-0 in favor.

Mr. Miller moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Goodell. Voice vote 7-0 in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.

Jennifer Wasilk, Chairwoman  
Finance Committee