## MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & RULES COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2013

Clerk Floistad called for the roll.

**ROLL CALL:** 

PRESENT: ALDERMAN STRAUBE

ALDERMAN FELDMANN ALDERMAN DELGADO ALDERMAN PADILLA ALDERMAN WERBA ALDERMAN RIESTERER ALDERMAN GROCHOWSKI

ALDERMAN PATTI

OTHERS PRESENT: FRED PAUL, TREASURER

JOANNE FLOISTAD, CITYCLERK

CAROL LAMPARD, FINANCE DIRECTOR DENNIS KOLETSOS, CHIEF OF POLICE

DALE ROBERTS, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The committee reviewed the minutes of the October 7, 2013 meeting. Alderman Patti made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2013 meeting; seconded by Alderman Padilla Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. Alderman Feldman abstained. The minutes were approved.

Mayor Sherwin presented Invoices Over One Thousand Dollars. Alderman Patti made a motion to approve Invoices Over One Thousand Dollars; seconded by Alderman Delgado. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Mayor Sherwin presented the Warrants and Vouchers. Alderman Patti made a motion to pay the Warrants and Vouchers; seconded by Alderman Padilla. Questions were asked and answered respectively. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Mayor Sherwin presented the Commission Expenditures. Alderman Patti made a motion to approve the Commission Expenditures; seconded by Alderman Riesterer. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Under Unfinished Business:

Under New Business;

Mayor Sherwin talked about the Proposal/Contract for Fireworks Display June 2014-2016. The price went up a little. Alderman Grochowski made a motion to approve the Proposal/Contract; seconded by Alderman Patti. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Mayor Sherwin talked about Video Gaming. He said that there are increases in the Police Pension and it is just going to get more expensive. The increase in the Police Pension funding exceeds our tax cap. If we approve Video Gaming this year, we won't see that revenue until next

year. We still have to make up the difference. Mayor Sherwin does not want to raise taxes beyond the 5% and he is hesitant on raising more than 3%. We will still have a shortage to fund the pension so it is going to have to come out of corporate. The Committee furthered the Video Gaming discussion to make some revenue for the city. Some of the surrounding communities have video gaming. The committee agreed to have video gaming in Northlake. Mayor Sherwin will talk to our attorneys about drafting an ordinance between now and the end of the year.

Mayor Sherwin talked about our Dial-A-Bus. Right now we are paying the driver, fuel costs and maintenance. Most of the time the bus is driving around with one person on it. When the driver goes on vacation, the bus is covered by another Public Works employee and things don't get done. Also, when Lisa goes on vacation someone else has to take the phone calls. We average 8 to 12 riders a day. Mayor Sherwin said that we can utilize the Leyden cab program, the Pace Dial a Bus that covers Leyden Township and Proviso has a rider service also. Dale Roberts stated that both buses are 2002 and they are at the end of their lives. The driver would then be able to help in Public Works projects. His salary would remain the same. Mayor Sherwin said the Dial-A-Bus is \$1.00 or \$2.00 and Proviso is free. We are working on the cab program; they pay \$10.00 for \$20.00 worth of cab coupons and the Leyden Township picks up the other half. The Township is agrees to extend the program to the Northlake portion in Proviso and we would pick up the additional cost. The committee agreed to stop the Northlake Bus as of January 1, 2014.

There was a discussion regarding the lift stations.

Mark Rail was honored for his 30 years of service

Mayor Sherwin talked about the Re-quote of Light Poles from Phoenix Welding. Alderman Patti made a motion to approve the Re-Quote on the Light Poles from Phoenix Welding; seconded by Alderman Riesterer. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Alderman Patti made a motion to refer Ordinance O-21-2013 to the City Council meeting; seconded by Alderman Delgado. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried

There being no further business, Alderman Straube made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Riesterer. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.** 

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JOANNE FLOISTAD, CITY CLERK