

**MINUTES FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:
OCTOBER 30, 2014**

Committee Present: Mary Jensen, Bruce Nekich and Mike Grant

Committee Absent:

Others Present: Kim Hopfinger and Dennis Uecker

The meeting was called to order by Finance and Administration chairman Mike Grant.

Discuss/Approve Minutes from September Finance Meeting:

Mary made a motion, seconded by Bruce, to approve the minutes from the September finance committee meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Discuss Future of Firemen's Hall:

Dennis reported that the committee formed to work on keeping the Firemen's Hall open has been meeting and making progress on things. The issue of who actually owns the Firemen's Hall is the big question that needs to still be answered. The deed for the entire property is in the Fire Company's name to this date. There is still a grey area because some question whether the Village owned the Fire Company, making them the owner. The committee will recommend that the Village Board approve paying to get a legal opinion as to who is the owner of the property. Bob Rice, an attorney in town, deals with real estate legal issues and would be a good person to have do the research and opinion.

Discuss Fee Schedule:

The committee reviewed the fee schedule. There was discussion on possibly raising the price of operator's licenses and liquor licenses. Kim will research what surrounding communities are charging for these things and bring back to next finance committee meeting.

Discuss and Make Recommendations for 2015 Budget:

The committee began to go through the budget. Kim is still waiting for some numbers from the state, such as the budget restraint and the final statement of assessment. The committee will meet on November 12th to go through the budget before the full board meets to approve the budget.

Discuss Dates for Full board Budget meeting and budget Hearing:

The committee will recommend that the joint meeting with recreation and the library and the Township be held prior to the full board meeting to finalize the budget. Kim will check with the other parties and schedule the meeting for either November 17th or the 18th. This will allow time to publish the proposed budget for a budget hearing on Tuesday December 2nd.

Discuss Changing Regular December Monthly Meeting to December 8th:

Kim stated that with the first Monday of December falling on December 1st and the office being closed the 27th and 28th for Thanksgiving, it would be impossible to close out November and get everything ready for the meeting on the 1st. Since there are 5 Mondays in December, the committee will recommend that the December board meeting be moved to December 8th and that it start at 6:30pm.

With no further business before this committee, Bruce made a motion, seconded by Dennis, to adjourn. The motion carried.