

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

VILLAGE OF PLYMOUTH Finance Committee Minutes

November 29, 2022

Rules Committee on November 29, 2022 at 5:37pm. The following were present:

Committee Members: Mrs. Moore (Chair), and Mr. Hurles

Employees and other Councilmembers: DiAnn Jamerson, Fiscal Officer; Tom Hintz, Police Chief; James Burton, Administrator; Richard Metzger, Fire Chief.

Visitors: Morgan Gayheart, Willard Times Junction.

Mrs. Moore stated this meeting is to go over the cost of living increase, and to also share some information.

Mrs. Moore stated she had a very informative meeting with Chief Hintz. She found out that a portion of the carryover in the general fund comes from the Police department. Also, when Chief Hintz does his budget he has to try to build enough into the budget for special investigations. We are also losing a full-time officer and a part-time officer retired and another resigned.

Chief Hintz feels a solution would be to have 5 full-time officers. The Fiscal Officer went over what was the current cost of the part-time officers. The cost figured based on 2021 was approximately \$92,000 per year. The approximate cost for 2 additional full-time Officers is approximately \$81,000 per year based on an hourly rate of \$22.00 per hour.

Mr. Hurles asked about the revenue. Hurles stated unless we make the pie bigger, we will eventually get in trouble. The Fiscal Officer stated she budgets the revenue low so that we have a carry over. The revenue stays pretty consistent but it does fluctuate.

Discussion took place on the revenue budget. The Fiscal Officer stated currently we have received more revenue than we have budgeted to receive in most of the funds.

Chief Hintz stated he hopes everyone understands we cannot have auxiliary officer picking up hours. They have other jobs and the State has changed the rules regarding the auxiliary officers.

The Fiscal Officer provided a handout with the current wage range ordinance. The possible amount they could increase with the 8.7% cost of living is in pencil to the right of the current amount. This was based upon the recommendation from Council last year to increase the top end by cost of living each year.

Chief Hintz stated did they did this so the pay ranges don't become stagnate, which they have in the past.

The range is the cost of living determined by the council and the raise is what the supervisor recommends.

It was stated that just because the limit of the range increased it did not mean everyone needed to be at the top of the scale. It is up to the supervisor to recommend the raise of the employee.

All present agreed to increase the top end by the 8.7% cost of living.

The supervisors are to prepare their recommendations for Finance and will meet again on December 6, 2022 at 5:30pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,



DiAnn Jamerson, MMC, Fiscal Officer