

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL  
VILLAGE OF MARIEMONT, OHIO  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS  
FEBRUARY 9, 2019**

Mayor Policastro called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. The following Council members were present: Mr. Bartlett, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Graves, Ms. Palazzolo and Mrs. Rankin.

Fiscal Officer Borgerding distributed a summary of funds available and the various requests from the Department Heads. Nothing is etched in stone. There are a lot of items on the list and not enough money to cover everything so decisions will need to be made to make some cuts. Otherwise we will have to transfer money from the General Fund to the Permanent Improvements. To date we have \$541,500 available.

Service Superintendent Scherpenberg requested \$50,000 for trees/tree work. He indicated that invoices are still pending for work that was completed in 2018. Fiscal Officer Borgerding said he would add 35,000 in encumbrances from 2018. Superintendent Scherpenberg asked for a storage shed to hold all of their skids of salt, mowers, concrete forms, miscellaneous equipment and it will allow storage for some administration files to be in a locked cabinet. Estimated cost \$10,000. Discussion ensued regarding the Village clock by the Exemplar. He estimates that \$11,500 needs to be budgeted for repairs and GPS updates, painting etc. It was decided to wait to do the work and see if the Inn wanted to donate funds towards the repairs. He would like to replace the bed in the dump truck. He is checking on a grant to replace the truck from the EPA. Estimated cost \$6,000. He also would like to purchase another liquid storage tank for the winter organic material. Estimated cost \$2,500. Total budge cost allocated for the Service Department is \$68,500.

Police Chief Hines requested \$30,000 for a 2019 Ford Explorer and equipment to replace the existing Chief's car. Chief Hines said he might look into buying a car with low mileage and saving money that way. Presently the car has 120,000 miles. Fiscal Officer Borgerding suggested using \$20,000 from the drug fund to bring the cost to \$10,000. The department needs new tasers. Estimated cost \$7,000. In addition, a new license plate reader is needed. Estimated cost \$19,000. Total budget allocated for the Police Department \$36,000.

Assistant Fire Chief Kiefer requested five sets of turn out gear for \$17,000 and five new Motorola radios for \$25,000. The current radios are being phased out and will no longer have parts available. Fiscal Officer said the ambulance needs to be replaced and recommends financing over three years. The current interest is 4.09% per year. The final numbers will not be available until the documents are signed. There will be little trade in value. The estimated cost is \$230,000 and could be spread over three or five years. Assistant Fire Chief Kiefer said they get EMS grants every year and could use those to help equip the new truck. He would like to move the pumper truck to the Maintenance facility and it would free up room to keep both ambulances in the bay. Total budget cost allocated for the Fire Department \$42,000.

Tax Administrator Busam indicated she had no requests at this time.

The Swim Pool needs maintenance on the pumps. Mr. Brown said he has had conversation with Mr. Beck regarding the diving board. It appears that we are going to have to take them out and there will be an expense associated with that. Ms. Palazzolo said it might be a bad financial time but a huge opportunity to look at some plans that have been put together to plan for the future. With time to plan there are endless fundraising options. She will work with Mr. Brown on upcoming plans at the pool. The preliminary estimate for a shed at the Tennis Courts is \$5,000. The concern is that the pipes are exposed which makes having the restrooms available uncertain. It would be nice to have some money available for design work so the Health and Recreation Committee can meet to discuss. Total budget cost allocated for the Swim Pool and Tennis Courts \$30,000.

Administrative Assistant Van Pelt requested \$10,000 be allocated for the department as CMI will no longer administer the present software for finance and payroll after 2022. In addition, the old OKI printer will need to be replaced. Mrs. Van Pelt said the Village should budget for recodification of the Code of Ordinances. It was discussed and determined that cost would come from the General Fund. Mrs. Van Pelt asked if Mayor Policastro wanted to refer the matter to a Committee of Council. Mayor Policastro said with all the street work we have to do and the issues with water backing up we may have to go out for a 1.5 mill levy for Capital Improvements. Mr. Bartlett said we will need to have really good data to back it up. Total budget allocated for Administration \$10,000.

Fiscal Officer Borgerding said the infrastructure is going to be expensive this year. Engineer Ertel distributed a breakdown based on Rack and Ballauer from 2018. Homewood Road \$220,000, Madisonville Road \$180,000, Albert

Place/Mt. Vernon \$400,000, Rowan Hill \$35,000. Less the grant/loan for Madisonville Road the total is \$ 736,000. He said for comparison Homewood Road is 700 feet of pipe to install with the Albert Place/Mt. Vernon being 1,000 feet of pipe to replace. The piping becomes longer as goes to the outfall. The Village's pipes were sized in 1920 and 1930 and with the storms we are having now the pipes are undersized. The 12" pipes will be 18" pipes and the 18" pipes will become 24". The longer we wait he anticipates the more expensive the project will become. He recommends bidding out what is proposed and see what the market bears and depending on pricing put Albert Place/Mt. Vernon on hold for another year. The work on Rowan Hill is the catch basin work. The bid is scheduled to go out for advertising on February 19, 2019 with the bid opening on March 5, 2019. The issue with holding off Albert Place/Mt. Vernon is the Village has a grant to do Petoskey next year which could be held over to the next year. He should hear in July the status of the project. State of Ohio will start the Wooster Pike resurfacing project in July starting at the Fairfax Corporation line to Newtown. Our projects should not be effected but there will need to be coordination with the Homewood Road to get that work done prior to the Wooster Pike work. Mr. Brown asked if we could incorporate into the work the parking areas in the square and the cut through area by Starbucks. Those areas need to be repaved. Engineer Ertel said we would have to talk with the contractor to see what the additional cost would be. Engineer Ertel said he did not include the money for bike trail design along Murray Avenue. It was agreed to budget \$40,000 for the design fee for the bike trail. In addition, it was agreed to budget \$5,000 for sidewalk and curb work and repair. Total budget allocated for Infrastructure \$281,000.

Fiscal Officer Borgerding said under miscellaneous he added \$35,000 for encumbrances from 2018 for tree work and \$50,000 for bond repayment (\$450,000 over 5 years) and Auditor fees \$5,000. Total budget allocated \$90,000. He will redo the budget and send a copy to Council.

The needs for 2019 totaled \$227,500 with \$541,500 available leaving a deficit of \$16,000.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

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Dan Policastro, Mayor

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Anthony J. Borgerding, Fiscal Officer