

FINANCE COMMITTEE

June 20, 2024

MEMBERS

Chairman Mitchelson
Alderman Dorchinecz
Alderman Skultety (Absent)
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry	HBO Goodall	Tim McArdle
Alderman Brown	Superintendent Mann	Chief Adermann
Alderman Wilson	Tammy Rogers	Dan McNeely
Treasurer Miles	Crystal Nichols	Steve Dennis
Clerk Richardson	Pat Kretzer	Alderman Driskell
Alderman Olive	Sue Kretzer	Chris Biondolino

(See below for others present)

Chairman Mitchelson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

AARON ALLEN/IDOR

Mr. Aaron Allen with the Illinois Department of Revenue spoke to the Committee about tax revenue. He offered advice on several different ways the City can generate extra tax revenue. IDOR offers online workshops throughout the year to keep municipalities updated.

POLLUTION AND CYBER RENEWAL

Mr. Dan McNeely with Dimond Bros. Insurance presented the Cyber and Pollution insurance renewal package. He recommended switching to Philadelphia Insurance Company for pollution coverage, as they offered a better quote for the yearly policy.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to accept the quote for Cyber and Pollution Insurance from Dimond Bros. Insurance at a cost of \$30,863.00 annually. Motion carried 3-0.

AIR B&B REGISTRATION

Chairman Mitchelson advised Jerry Cocagne had brought forth information about local AIR B&B's booking privately, which does not generate tax revenue for the City. Chairman Mitchelson stated a new tax sheet will be created for this purpose. Once the tax sheet has been reviewed, it will be distributed to the local AIR B&B's.

POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT FOR DOWNTOWN TAYLORVILLE

Chris Biondolino gave a presentation on a proposal he has been working on for establishing a Taylorville Tourism Committee. The purpose of this Committee will be to promote tourism, shopping, and overall economic vitality to the City. The Committee would consist of eleven members from various areas of the community. This Committee would be funded by the hotel/motel tax. The Committee would apply for state grants for additional operating funds. Chairman Mitchelson advised the City Council members will look over the proposal and revisit this at a later date.

BDD BOARD

Chairman Mitchelson has been reviewing the BDD Board. He advised as of right now; the process is taking longer than it should to get BDD applications to the Finance Committee. He recommends dissolving the BDD Board, and referring the BDD applications directly to the Ordinance Committee. Mayor Barry spoke against dissolving the board. Alderman Bryant stated that Mayor Barry was unwilling to work with the Aldermen on proposed changes to the BDD Board. Alderman Driskell advised she was in favor of keeping the board.

Motion by Alderman Mitchelson and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to dissolve the BDD Board. Motion carried 3-0.

APPROVE BUDGET

Treasurer Miles gave updates on the current budgets. The budgets are over right now, so some cuts need to be made. Superintendents will have a meeting next Tuesday to discuss what can be removed from the budget to get our numbers where they need to be.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Miles presented the current Treasurer's Report.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Barry thanked the Chamber of Commerce and Smalltown Taylorville for their help with the upcoming 4th of July parade. The parade will start at 10am on July 4th, with the Mayor's picnic following. Fireworks will be at Lake Taylorville at dusk that evening.

Pat Kretzer stated that the BDD Committee needs to come up with some rules to follow to make it fair for everyone that applies.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to adjourn. The motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 P.M.



Randy Mitchelson, Chairman Finance Committee

ALSO PRESENT

Sherri Craggs

Steve Craggs

Tavia Leach

Keith Boston

Shannon Boston

Dyanne Skinner

Lee Skinner

Jerry Cocagne

Lori Cocagne

Marilyn Spillman

Justin Griffin

Leroy Kleimola

Joshua Floyd

J. I. McDowell

Krystal Baker

Aaron Allen

Andrew Lahey

Ron McKavetz