

**MINUTES**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**September 17, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:03 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Committee Members: Vice Chairman Vahey (via conference call) - Luker-Winegrad

**EXCUSED:** Zappone

**OTHERS:** Finance Director Hermann  
Commissioner Kline

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Luker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Winegrad to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2019 Finance Committee Meeting.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

**PRESENTATIONS:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Item FC-01-101019:

Commissioner Luker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Vahey to approve investments for the month of August 2019. It was noted that investments for the month totaled \$744,000.00. Interest rate yields ranged from 1.90% to 1.95%.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

Item FC-02-101019:

Commissioner Luker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Winegrad to approve the August 2019 expenditures in the amount of \$2,179,422.11 and salaries and wages in the amount of \$2,954,804.40, and authorizing the proper officials to sign vouchers in payment of bills and contracts as they mature through the month of November 2019.

Commissioner Kline questioned voucher #56600 – Ban Ban Asian Bistro, Inc.

Ms. Hermann replied that was a refund for withdrawn ZHB application.

Commissioner Kline questioned voucher #56623 – JWW Educational Camps, LLC.

Ms. Hermann replied this was for extra batteries as well as a small drone that will be used for training purposes by the police.

Commissioner Kline questioned voucher #56921 – High Swartz, LLP.

Ms. Hermann said that is an ongoing legal matter.

Commissioner Luker questioned voucher #56627 – Lerro Corporation - Assisted Sound Listening system and clarified that was for the boardroom. Is that correct?

Ms. Hermann replied there was work being done in the boardroom, but she will need to pull the invoice to verify.

Commissioner Winegrad questioned voucher #56626 – Landscape Architecture, Simone Collins.

Ms. Hermann replied she will need to pull invoice to see what that is related to.

Commissioner Kline questioned voucher #56946 - Redevelopment Authority.

Ms. Hermann replied the Redevelopment Authority pays the law firm of Riley Riper Hollin Colagreco in regards to the matter of Old York Road/Susquehanna Road project, and they are reimbursed by the Township for those costs.

Commissioner Winegrad questioned voucher #56612 – Delaware Valley WC Trust.

Ms. Hermann replied that is quarterly payment for workers' comp insurance.

Commissioner Winegrad referred to voucher #56518 – BSN Sports – two bike racks for the McKinley area and noted that he was questioned by a resident as to why there are no bike racks at the Township building.

Ms. Hermann replied she will speak with the Manager about it.

Commissioner Winegrad asked about Sobriety Checkpoints of the Lower/Upper Moreland Police Departments.

Ms. Hermann said Abington holds the grant funding so the other police departments submit for reimbursement.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

Item FC-03-101019:

Commissioner Luker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Winegrad to approve the Clearing Fund, the Deferred Revenue/Expense activity and Petty Cash balances for the month of August 2019. Clearing fund receipts and disbursements for the month of August 2019 were \$8,820.50 and (\$1,579.38), respectively. Deferred Revenue/Expense receipts and disbursements for the month of August 2019 were \$0.00 and (\$19.00), respectively.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

Item FC-04-101019:

Commissioner Luker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Winegrad to approve Advance and Travel Expense activity for August 2019. Advance and Travel Expense reports were \$0.00 and \$186.04, respectively. Eight-month expenses totaled \$37,054.59.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

STATEMENT OF CONDITIONS:

Finance Committee reviewed Statement of Conditions for various funds.

Commissioner Winegrad questioned Aqua/PECO paving item as listed.

Ms. Hermann replied the Township has received six reimbursements from Aqua.

Commissioner Winegrad asked about body cameras item as listed.

Ms. Hermann replied there is a five-year contract with the body camera company for service and cameras.

CONTINGENCY EXPENSE REPORTS:

Finance Committee reviewed Contingency Expense reports.

Item FC-05-101019:

Commissioner Luker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Winegrad to renew dental contact with Fidelio Dental Insurance Co. for the period of April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2024 at an increase of 2% per year.

Ms. Hermann explained that Fidelio Insurance benefits focuses more on orthodontics, and the rate going up 2% per year for the next five years without changing any of the actual benefits was a surprise. This company is specifically listed in the union contract; however, it does not expire until March 2020, so if there are any issues we can work on it.

Commissioner Vahey said he finds this concerning in having an agreement with an insurer who ties employees to go to their specific orthodontist.

Ms. Hermann said she will speak with the Manager about it; however, the motion is to approve the cost for the Township to pay monthly premium for this insurance.

Commissioner Vahey questioned whether an RFP is needed.

Ms. Hermann replied total cost is expected to fall beneath what is required for professional services; however, she will check with the Manager.

Commissioner Vahey requested holding this item for another month for further review.

Commissioner Luker withdrew his motion on the floor and Commissioner Winegrad withdrew his second on the motion.

Commissioner Luker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Winegrad to TABLE Item FC-05-101019 for further review.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:46 p.m.

Liz Vile, Minutes Secretary