



City of Pataskala *Legislative Report to Council*

Legislative Report

September 19, 2016 Council Meeting

Unfinished Business

A. Ordinances

➤ **ORDINANCE – 2016-4267 – 2ND READING**

An ordinance to amend Chapter 1203 and add section 1221.06 to chapter 1221 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Pataskala, and repeal all other ordinances and parts of the ordinances in conflict therewith.

➤ **ORDINANCE 2016-4269: Supplemental Appropriation- 2ND READING**

This ordinance has been amended since the first reading, and is being respectfully submitted to Council for a 2nd reading at the September 19th Council meeting. I am recommending that this legislation go through all three (3) of the required readings, which would provide staff with an opportunity to make any other required budgetary adjustments prior to the 3rd and final reading. **Changes to the legislation since the last reading have been highlighted in bold below. Council is being requested to substitute to this amended version at the September 19th Council meeting.**

- **Section 1: Police Equipment** – The Police department is in need of replacing law enforcement-related equipment such as flashlights, vests, protective shields, etc. The city's Law Enforcement Trust (212) fund is a special revenue fund that receives proceeds from federal and state criminal forfeitures. However, the funds are restricted to the purchase of law enforcement equipment, officer training and, in some limited cases, the payment of officer overtime incurred. The fund currently has an accumulated balance of \$12,652 and the department would like to use some of the funds for the equipment purchases. The Chief is requesting authority to spend up to \$5,000 of the accumulated balance.
- **Section 2: Parks & Rec Referees** – The recreation department pays the individuals who provide referee and umpire services at soccer and softball games, respectively. Based upon the number of games in 2016, it is estimated that the city will incur approximately \$8,500 in contractual services expenses. As this is a new function in 2016, we did not budget for this expense. It is important to remember that these

types of expenses are funded by the participant registration fees, not income tax revenues.

New Business

A. Ordinances

B. Resolutions

➤ **RESOLUTION 2016-055**

A resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

➤ **RESOLUTION 2016-056**

Approval of this resolution would provide for Jobes Henderson Engineering to begin design of the Columbia Rd. culvert replacement project. Council has previously authorized Jobes Henderson to assemble an application for grant and loan assistance through the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for this project; preparation of the application is progressing on schedule for submittal on October 7th. The immediacy for approval of this resolution and entering into a contract for this work is by virtue of the OPWC application scoring criteria: points are gained for having engineering design underway, and more points are awarded for design being complete. In a highly competitive program, these points could easily be the difference between a funded and non-funded project, and the status must be reported and certified by the engineer at the time of the application submittal. Further justification for proceeding with design of this project is that withstanding OPWC funding assistance, there is still a need for this project to be designed and constructed. As the funds are available in the existing budget, as there is a need for this project, and as beginning design now will increase the City's chances for funding, approval of Resolution 2016-056 is recommended.