

VILLAGE OF SEVILLE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
APRIL 19, 2010

Mrs. Schwartz called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM.

Present: Mayor Carter, Barbara Schwartz, Kathy Rhoads, Rick Stallard, Jim Lovejoy, Roger Kilgore, Richard Barbera, Fiscal Office Jim Carrick

Motion to approve the minutes from April 5, 2010 made by R. Stallard, seconded by R. Barbera. Aye votes all.

Jim Carrick gave the fiscal officer's report. Overall spending is slightly down and revenues are down, but we anticipated this. R. Stallard questioned the legal fees budget. B. Schwartz advised the committee that we budgeted \$29,000.00 and through the 1<sup>st</sup> qtr. we are over budget by 4%. We discussed not emailing Ted Lesiak unless absolutely necessary. Everyone was reminded that he is at Village Hall twice a month on Wednesdays. We need to start using the Solicitor's request form. Schwartz will continue to monitor the budget and advise the committee.

B. Schwartz advised the committee the collections through the first quarter of 2010 from the CCA are down because we anticipated that, and budgeted accordingly. The first quarter income tax collections from 2009 were \$240,000.00. The first quarter collections for 2010 are \$214,000.00. We are down 11%, but we anticipated just over a 10% reduction.

B. Schwartz discussed the importance of small business in the economy. We need employers with big numbers and big salaries. She reminded the committee that when Keith Durham, Medina City Finance Director gave us a presentation, he advised that Medina's biggest employer was only 5% of their budget. Our biggest employer (of our top 10) is closer to 35-40%. We want to be in the position that Medina is in. Rick Stallard is working towards this goal.

Mayor Carter reiterated the importance of the Medina County Economic Development Corp. They had not been utilized by previous administrations. Money spent was business's money, not Village's. Things are getting done.

B. Schwartz advised that the Police budget for salaries is over by 4% through the 1<sup>st</sup> qtr. We are working on this and monitoring. The budget for gasoline is in good shape. Only 12% has been spent for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter.

B. Schwartz advised the committee that she would always be conservative. Reports will always be based solely on the numbers; this is a "political free zone." Her concerns are not negativity. Everything will be based on whether we have the funds or not and whether an expenditure is needed or not.

Schwartz reminded the committee that Medina County is on track for a record number of foreclosures again this year. Last year there were over 1100. She wants to look at this as a barometer.

Jim Carrick was approved to obtain his notary certification.

B. Schwartz reminded all members to sign off on the bills.

Frank Harmon will be at Village Hall on Tuesday 4-20-10 around noon to discuss insurance rates. We have been advised of a potential increase of 4.9%. We did not budget for this. B. Schwartz will attend this meeting and asked if anyone had specific questions, to please get them to her. Mr. Harmon will also be requested to do a presentation before a full council. Last year the plan was changed from 90/10 co-pay to 85/15. We will discuss a potential premium change for those with single coverage who do not currently contribute anything for premium. K. Rhoads will forward her previous emails with Frank Harmon for additional information.

Mayor Carter advised the police are working on the schedule. Chief Burson and Staff Sgt. Mark Milton will handle this. Comp time will be handled.

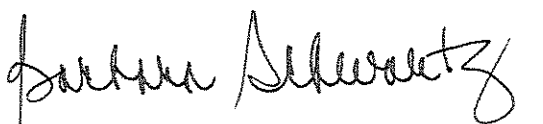
Schwartz advised that the Village would be highlighted in the Medina Gazette this Friday.

Mayor Carter advised the committee of the business appreciation dates coming up. She shared dates and times.

There was no privilege of the floor.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by J. Lovejoy; seconded by R. Stallard. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by

  
Barbara Schwartz - Finance Chair