THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
Wednesday, October 12, 2016 –7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
10025 Bunkum Road, Fairview Heights, IL

Committee Members in attendance – Brenda Wagner, Denise Williams, Dennis Baricevic, Pat Peck, Roger Lowry, and Mayor Mark Kupsky (Ex-Officio Member)

Committee Members absent – Frank Menn

Other Aldermen and Elected Officials in attendance – Harry Zimmerman, Justin Gough, Karen Kaufhold, Pat Baeske

Staff in attendance – Chief of Police Nick Gailius, Captain Chris Locke, Lt. John Proffit, Director of Finance Gina Rader, Director of Parks and Recreation Angie Beaston, Becky Short, and City Attorney Representative Katherine Porter.

Recorder – Amanda Bushnell

Public Participation
None

Approval of Minutes
Motion and second were made by Denise Williams/Brenda Wagner to approve the September 14, 2016 minutes. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Law Enforcement Committee
Alderman Denise Williams, Chairman

State of the Police Department Report
Chief Gailius presented his written report to the Committee for review. Car burglaries increased three times in September 2016 compared to September 2015 on a month-to-month comparison, and there is an ongoing effort to come up with strategies to combat the burglaries. It was also noted that the Citizens Academy Graduation and Seniors Citizens Academy Graduation are coming up, and that the suspects in the recent graffiti/vandalism case have been caught and are being charged as juveniles.

Fairview Heights – O'Fallon Consolidated Dispatch Plan and Agreement
Discussion was held about the state mandated consolidation of 911 services and the Dispatch Plan and Agreement that has come about with the City of O'Fallon due to their geographic location and number of calls. This plan involves making sure labor issues, technology, and communications are handled to the City's standards. The Plan outlines that the consolidation agreement will involve moving forward with the City's current technology, ITI, verses O'Fallon's current technology, which will results in major cost savings in the long run.

Anyone working under the consolidated partnership will become an employee of the City of O'Fallon. Because O'Fallon would then handle all matters for that employee, such as Human Resources, Fairview Heights will pay O'Fallon 2 percent to accomplish handling the matters of taking on additional employees.

The consolidated dispatch plan and agreement is estimated to cost $1.3 million – saving the community an estimated $600,000. The cost will be paid 55% by O'Fallon, and 45% by Fairview Heights. At the end of the calendar year, the calls per service will be analyzed and any adjustments that need to be made fiscally to the plan will be made in May. The goal is to go live with the consolidated plan on January 1, 2017.

Mayor Mark T. Kupsky thanked Chief Nick Gailius and the Fairview Heights Police Department, the City Attorney's Office, and the O'Fallon Police Department for their cooperation in protecting our employees and making a workable solution.

Motion and second were made to forward the Fairview Heights – O'Fallon Consolidated Dispatch Plan and Agreement to City Council for consideration by Alderman Denise Williams/Alderman Brenda Wagner. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Purchase of Two Police Vehicles With Escrowed Funds

Chief Gailius requested two (2) new police vehicles for the department to replace two (2) vehicles currently in fleet. The vehicles would be paid for in escrow funds in the amount of $56,758. The vehicles being requested are built to last longer than a standard vehicle.

Motion and second were made for City Council to approve purchase of the new police vehicles by Alderman Pat Peck/Alderman Brenda Wagner. The motion was carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Finance Committee

Alderman Roger Lowry, Chairman

Bill List Review

Alderman Dennis Baricevic requested that the Director of Finance look into a line item on page 8 of the Bill List for Walters Auto Body in the amount of $1,000.

Motion and second to approve the September Bill List in the amount of $1,204,590.21 were made by Alderman Denise Williams/Alderman Dennis Baricevic. The motion carried by voice vote and was unanimous.

Adjournment 7:43 p.m.

Submitted By:

Amanda Bushnell

Recorder