

Canal Winchester

*City Hall
Council Chambers
45 East Waterloo Street
Canal Winchester, OH 43110*



Meeting Minutes - FINAL

October 17, 2022

6:00 PM

Council Work Session

*Bob Clark - Chair
Laurie Amick
Jill Amos
Steve Buskirk
Chuck Milliken
Patrick Shea
Mike Walker*

- A. Call To Order** *Clark called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.*
- B. Roll Call** *Present 7 – Amick, Amos, Buskirk, Clark, Milliken, Shea, Walker*

C. Also In Attendance
Mayor Ebert, Matt Peoples, Lucas Haire, Amanda Jackson

D. Reports of City Staff
Bill Sims – Mr. Sims touched on the following during his verbal report:

Capital Improvement Projects

2022 Street Program: *Punchout Org. Contract \$990,197 Actual \$935,000 +/-*

2023 Street Program: *Initial planning meeting conducted 9/27/22.*

McGill Park: *Closing out the contract. Original Contract \$2,768,000 Actual \$2,907,000*

McGill 2: *EMH&T working on preliminary design information.*

3 Season Shelter: *Putting together the new RFP. Estimated cost \$630,000 / \$800,000*

Private Development Projects

Greengate: *Phase 3 & 5 Punchlist items*

Evans Farm: *Onsite work is continuing. Public water and sewer later this year.*

Right of Way

ATT: *Currently installing conduit in Westchester. Should be done end of the month. ATT has informed us that they are slowing down the rate of their fiber infrastructure development. Looks like Ashbrook area will likely be next year.*

Summit IG *installing fiber down Diley Rd. part of wider regional project.*

Community Center

Recent new activities:

Family Game Night- first one was Aug 17th. Next one is Wednesday, October 26 – Halloween Family Game Night – 6-9pm, Free pizza, snacks, and beverages. Treat bags for people who arrive in costume.

Every Wednesday (except Oct 26) – Yoga flow for all levels – 7pm - \$5 at the door

VFW Halloween Party after trick or treat till 9pm October 31st

November 1st - December 15th we will be collecting items to donate to Embassy at Winchester for their residents for Christmas. There will be a collection box at the community center.

Items Needed are men and women’s personal hygiene products, adult winter clothing, slippers, and coats, books and puzzle books

E. Request for Council Action

RES-22-043

Public Service

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STORMWATER AWARENESS WEEK

- Request to move to full Council

Peoples – This is a resolution of support for Stormwater Awareness Week. We partner with Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District to administer our stormwater program and Stormwater Awareness Week highlights our efforts to impact water quality in our area. This recognition also helps us with our EPA compliance requirements as part of our Stormwater Permit.

A motion was made by Amos, seconded by Buskirk to move RES-22-043 to full Council. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Amos, Buskirk, Clark, Milliken, Shea, Walker, Amick

RES-22-044

Development

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR GALLERY SPACE IN CITY HALL WITH THE CANAL WINCHESTER ART GUILD

- Request to move to full Council

Haire – The is a resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement for art to be hung in the lobby here at City Hall. The art will be on a rotating basis. It's going to rotate every three months to four months. So, three or four times a year it will rotate out. Other communities, Upper Arlington, Worthington, do this in their public buildings with local artists. It allows the opportunity for the artists to display their art and offer it for sale. They'll be art tags associated with it. The art guild is supplying an art hanging system to the city. I can show you what an example of that looks like. But that'll be just be mounted on the wall. So you know, every time the art goes on and off, it doesn't necessarily get to rehung on the wall itself. It gets hung up on a system. You just have a rail that's installed. The clip at the top hangs on the rail. It's just like that. Those long sticks basically hang down. You can hang up to two pieces of art on there. Depending on the size of the art it allows for a variety of arrangements. It's expressly stated in here, this is not an opportunity for open expression. The city has the full rights to review any of the arts and approve the art and the content of that art that's displayed. And so that is part of the agreement. The artist needs to sign a form that acknowledges that. We will be reviewing the art that's placed there to make sure that there's nothing that can be construed to be controversial by some. We want to ensure that we're making it art that's appropriate for display for all ages. This is intended to be a 10 year agreement, but it can be terminated with a 30 day notice.

Shea - I was reading that this weekend and one thing I noticed is the first section that talks about term and fee. But do we need fee in there if there's no fee, on the contract?

Haire – The designated use and fee?

Shea – Yes. I kept reading it over and over again thinking that maybe we were leasing the Art Guild space in here.

Haire – I think what it's saying is there is no fee, right? So neither the city or CWAG will receive a commission on any art that's sold. I think that's what it's addressing. It's basically stating that we're not collecting commission on the art that's sold which would typically take place in a gallery.

A motion was made by Amick, seconded by Shea to move RES-22-044 to full Council. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Amick, Shea, Walker, Amos, Buskirk, Clark, Milliken

ORD-22-038

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT

Construction Services

WITH QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTION, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 01, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025.

- Request to move to full Council

Sims – This is a new contract with QCI. Our previous contract was for three years. We had them in for a year before that as well. So, the last four years we’ve been working with QCI. We also used them in the past for a number of years. They provide construction inspection services. They are on our capital improvement projects and track the work for meeting the standards that are required. Also for tracking measurements or quantities for payment for contractors. We’ve had a pretty successful several years here with them. It’s my recommendation that we continue to utilize Quality Control Inspection for those services.

Amos – This contract started at the beginning of this year? Or is this an amendment to a current contract?

Sims – This contract would be beginning the first of 2023.

Amos – On the ordinance, it states 2022. That’s why I wasn’t sure if this was an amendment to the current agreement to extend or if it was just at typo.

Sims – It’s just a typo. Our current contract ends on December 31, 2022.

Amos – Perfect. That makes it much better.

Clark – Thad, do we need to fix that?

Boggs – It’s only on for first reading tonight so we can correct that between now and the time it’s voted on.

Amick – The fees, did they stay flat or did they increase?

Sims – There was a 3.7% increase in the fees. I will say of all the firms that we’ve used, they’ve actually been the most competitive and still are.

Amick – Just sort of an inflationary increase, it sounds like.

Sims – That’s correct. Typically, they’re around 3% a year.

A motion was made by Milliken, seconded by Walker to move ORD-22-038 to full Council. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Milliken, Walker, Amick, Amos, Buskirk, Clark, Shea

ORD-22-039*Finance*

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF CANAL WINCHESTER, OHIO.

- Request to move to full Council

Jackson - This is an annual thing that we do. I think most of you hopefully read my email that I sent out earlier today. There were some questions regarding this. Every year our codifier sends me an email, asks me for all the legislation passed between two dates, I give them that listing and they let me know what I need to give them so they can update our online codified ordinances. So basically, they're taking any legislation that city council has passed in the last year, that requires an update to our codified ordinances, and working that into what is online. I also have printed copies for anybody who still reads them on paper. It also is updating things that were done at the state level that need to be

incorporated into our ordinances. So that's the list that you're going to see in this ordinance tonight are things that were done at the state level, all related to traffic and general offense codes. So, if you have specific questions about any of those, I'm sure Mr. Boggs could speak to what the state has done.

Clark – I don't have any questions but I just wanted to see, Thad, if you could look at line 2 there. It mentions something about the Village of Canal Winchester. It doesn't say the city. I don't know if that's just from using an old form maybe.

Boggs – I suspect that's the case. This ordinance, it's my understanding, comes directly from the codifier. Once again, this is on for a first reading tonight. Not necessarily up for a vote and adoption.

Shea – It's asking for an emergency in the ordinance.

Boggs – It's written that way but it's not asking for a waiver of readings. And in fact, under the charter, because it's a recodification, that wouldn't even technically be an emergency but would still take effect. Those are some polishing things we can do to that codifier form before second and third reading and adoption.

Amos – If I remember correctly, we asked this question a few years ago and you looked it up and it was determined that you can use either the village or the city. That they were both listed as an identifier in the original.

Boggs – Right, yeah it doesn't have any legal significance in this context but obviously we'd like it to be up to date.

A motion was made by Shea, seconded by Walker to move ORD-22-039 to full Council. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Shea, Walker, Amick, Amos, Buskirk, Clark, Milliken

ORD-22-040

Finance

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2022 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #21-053, AMENDMENT #5

- Request to move to full Council

Jackson - We're asking to amend the appropriations in two separate funds with this ordinance. The General Fund and the Street Maintenance Fund. Both the General Fund and the Street Maintenance Fund are in need of additional funds for fuel. I pulled up a little comparison of what we were paying per gallon this time last year versus what we have been paying over the last couple of months. Obviously, I'm sure you all know from filling up your own vehicles that it is pretty significantly different. So last year, we were paying \$2.76 a gallon for diesel. And this year, we're paying \$4.58. And for regular unleaded, it was \$2.63 last year, and we were actually paying \$4.07 at the beginning of September. So needless to say, we went through our fuel budget a little bit quicker than we typically do. So we're asking for \$15,000 out of General Fund and \$10,000 in the Street Maintenance Fund to make it through the rest of the year. Additionally, we're asking for \$20,000 for IT contracting or consulting services, excuse me. I think tonight is probably a pretty good example of why we have been using more consulting hours recently. We also had some hiccups, when earlier this year, our internet provider was bought out by another vendor which caused a lot of problems. And I know that Mr. Brown has been working with our consultant and needing hose hours. So we have a need for some additional hours between everything that's been going on there, the firewall issues that we're currently having, as well as some things that had come up at in the water and sewer departments. We originally were not allocating consulting hours to the water and sewer departments for their specific plant related technological issues. We have now done so. We don't feel we need extra money for those funds for the rest of the year. But we do need some for the overall general city IT.

Amick - I'm assuming that none of the original work done for this building is still under warranty, then.

Jackson - It's not really that. So when we switched providers, which was not a choice of ours, we were essentially blacklisted. I don't want to get into a whole lot of details just because of security issues. But it took a lot of work, both by Mr. Brown and our contractor to get us off some of those lists. We still have email issues where people will not receive

our emails, because it doesn't like that it's coming from our IP address. So that was not something that was foreseen by us when we built this building, nor could we have foreseen them being bought out like they were. We've made strides. We're almost there, but there's still some work to be done.

Clark - Who's the consultant?

Jackson - Aaron Hur.

Amick - Is it a time and materials? Is the \$20k a time and materials contract?

Jackson - It's for their hourly fee. So however many hours they work, that's all we pay for. We do buy equipment from them. But it is for actual manpower to be working on the system.

Amick- \$20k is the not to exceed price. If they were to come under.

Jackson - We don't have a contract per se that says they will not exceed \$20,000. It's what we believe we're probably going to need to cover their costs for the remainder of the year. IT is one of those things where we just don't what is going to happen. A couple weeks ago I was at my annual conference and there was a lot of discussion about cybersecurity, and how people are getting more and more, you know, I guess fancy with how they are scamming people and getting into networks and things like that. So, we just don't know what could happen between now and December and we just want to be prepared and have that so that we don't have downtime or are struggling to get our system working because we can't call the consultant. Mr. Brown can only do so much.

A motion was made by Amick, seconded by Buskirk to move ORD-22-040 to full Council. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Amick, Buskirk, Clark, Milliken, Shea, Walker, Amos

ORD-22-041

Finance

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF CANAL WINCHESTER, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023, AND TO AUTHOIRZE APPROVED INTERFUND TRANSFERS

- Request to move to full Council

Jackson – We are here this evening we're here to talk about the 2023 appropriations, also known as the budget. I'm going to start off by saying that if I, at any point during this presentation, am talking where you feel like I may be going a little over your head, please stop me. You know, I live this day in, day out. Similar to what you do in your professional life sometimes we get a little caught up in the jargon and you know, things like that. So, if I do that, I apologize now, but please stop me so that I can answer any questions that you have. Real fast, I just wanted to go over for the benefit of our newest council members a little bit of some basics on our budgeting. We can't spend money unless you guys tell us we can. That's why we have to do this budget. That budget can be amended throughout the year, just like we just talked about with an appropriation amendment. That just requires council approval. We are required to encumber funds before we spend them. What that means in the finance world is we have to write a purchase order. And essentially that purchase order is earmarking those funds for a specific purchase. Those funds are no longer available to be used for anything else. Let's say a good example is we're buying a truck right? We write a purchase order against whatever line item in the budget, we're going to buy that truck out of. That money is then encumbered away from the balance that is available to be spent on something else. Just because that combat truck has not come in does not mean that we can spend that money on something else. It's sitting there waiting for that truck. If we write that purchase order for \$100,000, and the truck costs \$90,000, when we pay for it, take that \$10,000 that's left, close that purchase order and it goes back into the spent on something else. Everything we do, with the exception of salaries, has to be done with a

purchase order.

There are many different ways to budget and each entity is going to budget differently. What you're going to see tonight is just the way that it's probably been seven or eight years now ago that we changed the way that we did our budget here. It used to be a very detailed budget, down to every single solitary line item that shows up in my financial system, showing them all on the budget that council's approving. We've kind of moved away from that and gone to a more generalized budget. And I will show you an example of that in just a second. And obviously, we can't spend more money than we have. That seems like common sense, right. But unfortunately, there are governments out there that do that. Not sure how, but we're not one of them. With that, one of the things in the financial world that we have to pay attention to most is this unencumbered fund balance, plus estimated resources. And that gives us the dollar amount that we have to spend. Unencumbered fund balance is anything that doesn't have a purchase order against it. So, things that have not been earmarked per se for a certain expense. Estimated revenues are what you expect to bring in in the next year. Any type of revenue source we have. Obviously, we talked a lot about our income tax. That's our largest revenue source. So we're taking what hasn't been earmarked for something and adding in all those revenues that we expect to get next year. And that's the amount of money that we have to budget. Will we budget all that? Absolutely not. But that is the money that is available to be budgeted and spent.

I know this might be a little difficult to read, but I wanted to compare on your left is what my financial system looks like. And on the right is what the ordinance looks like. When I do the budget internally, I am doing it down into a much more detailed level than what I'm presenting to council. All these numbers here roll up to what is here in the ordinance. This is a good example, I just picked the community center. It was one of the ones near the top but you can see where my detailed budget will equal exactly what is in my ordinance. Now that \$91,150 in personal services is made up of all these line items. So regular salaries, overtime, PERS, Medicare, workers comp, insurance, and some uniforms slash licenses. Same thing with our operating expenses. There are various categories listed there that roll up into that. Capital outlay is its own animal and its own line. And you can see at the bottom, the totals match. I don't believe that I have given you an updated detail of the budget, which I will do so that you have time between now and next meeting to review it in case you have more questions. But this evening, what you're seeing in your packet is going to look more like this over here on the right.

We have several different fund groups here the city. We have the General Fund, which is obviously our largest fund. We have 15 different special revenue funds. We are not going to talk about all 15 of them tonight. We would be here for quite a while. We are going to just talk about the more significant ones. We have a General Obligation Bonds fund, that's where we have a majority of our debt is paid from. Three capital projects funds. And then we have what are called proprietary funds. Those are utility funds, water, sewer, and stormwater. And we budget each of these. Let's talk in general what is applicable to pretty much every fund in in our budget. If you see the line item personal services, that's going to be your salaries and benefits. It's our wages. And this budget does include a pay increase for all of our employees. It includes longevity payments, and leave buybacks as listed in her employee handbook, and then all the other employer costs. So obviously, the cost of having an employee is not just their wages, there are certain things we have to pay on their behalf. PERS, Medicare, workers comp, and the city does pick up insurance premiums. You're also going to see that there's pretty much an increase in everything. I'm sure you've noticed, you know, in your own bank account, everything just costs more right now. We are anticipating that to continue into next year. You're going to see the same basic four categories in every department. Not every department is going to have a salaries and benefits line item. I believe on a future slide it'll show you exactly which funds you will see those see salaries and benefits and how many employees are paid from that.

Now I'm going to go through at a very high level the most noteworthy things in our budget this year. I want to preface this by saying that the whole point of tonight's presentation is to talk about our financials. There are things on this slide that I'm going to bring up that I'm not here to debate. I am here merely to inform you of whether or not we can't afford it. There will be future conversations surrounding this information. And ultimately, it will be Council's choice whether or

not this stuff is implemented. So, for tonight, we're talking dollars. We have been looking at a five-year staffing plan. We did this about five years ago so it's time to update it. And we have determined that we believe there are several new positions that we need created and believe we will need filled within the next five years. We will bring more information to council once we have finalized it. We're about there. Didn't want to overwhelm you too much tonight with it though. We will need council approval to create these positions and establish these pay ranges. So again, ultimately your choice whether or not these positions are established. Fiscal year '23 is year one of that on your staffing plan. Pending your approval, the '23 budget includes partial funding for those four positions listed on the slide - the city administrator, two assistant public service directors, and an information technology technician. By doing the partial year funding, that allows us to continue the discussion about those positions, their creation, and then it also gives us time to fill them should council want to move forward with them. Also included in the budget is what I'm referring to as the trickle-down effect. You know, we're working under the assumption that the majority of these new positions would be filled with current employees. There would be promotions involved and then those positions would then be back filled again with internal candidates and promotions. So just like in any other business, a promotion equals more money and that is what I have factored into the budget that I'm presenting to you this evening.

Other staffing changes included in that five-year staffing plan are the creation of a Law Director position, a new superintendent who would be responsible for parks and aquatics, a code enforcement officer, construction inspector, and a Public Service administrative assistant. The administrative assistant is actually a position that's already on our books. It's just not specific to a department. We wouldn't necessarily have to ask council to create that position again, since it already exists. But the intention would be that if we do hire someone, it would be to work in the public service department. Also included in the '23 budget is the potential retirement of an employee. That is not 100% but I'm budgeting as if they are. Big red note at the bottom there. Like I've probably said four or five times now this is all up to city council. So, if you choose not to fund these new positions, not create them, not fund them, those funds can either be removed completely from the budget, or we can reallocate them. That is a discussion we can have when we get to that point. Council can direct where they should be reallocated or city staff can do that. My suggestion would be if we do not fund any or all of these, that those funds get pushed towards other capital projects, larger dollar amounts. We can put more money into the street program or plant more trees, whatever it is that, that city council believes is a good use of those funds.

Some other things that are included in this budget are some other employee compensation changes. We are wanting to institute a market adjustment for all employees. That means a dollar an hour per employee. The number in blue next to it is the just about the right dollar amount for the effect on our budget, how much more is going to cost the city to do that. It also includes raises for all of our employees ranging from two to 4%. Directors and managers would be at the 2%. And all the other employees would be at 4%. Why is that the directors have PERS pickup. We would like, pending council approval, to implement a partial PERS pickup for our managers. This would be a 5% of the employee portion, which is 10%. So, we'd be picking up half. And again, the blue number tells you the approximate value of increase to the city's budget to implement that. The other thing that we are doing is increasing our guaranteed minimum call in hours from two to three. We have an on-call schedule. Let's say someone hits a light pole or fire hydrant, something like that, and we had to call somebody in after hours. Currently, if they are here, for any amount of time, less than two hours to get a minimum of two hours pay. We would like to up to three. That is a common practice among Central Ohio communities. It's something we probably haven't touched since this policy was established, and we feel like it's overdue. So now if someone were to get called in if they were here for half hour, if they were here for two and a half hours, they're getting paid for three. And then the bottom list there is just a breakdown of where our employees get paid from. The FTE is the full time equivalent. As you can see, we do have certain individuals that are paid out of multiple funds depending on their position. That's why you will see that we have partial employees paid out of water, sewer and stormwater funds. Total that would be 39 employees.

Some large dollar purchases and projects that are included in this budget - three replacement vehicles, a new watering skid, a new speed trailer. A replacement Ventrac mower and it's also kind of a multipurpose vehicle. We have a broom

that we can use to clear snow off the sidewalks at the same piece of equipment. The replacement of the traffic message board that's probably currently sitting on Waterloo. And then we are looking at purchasing a new roadside mower with Violet Township, so this would be a shared piece of equipment. And our cost would be about \$50,000. I will touch on that again, when we get to where we were going to we're going to pay for that. Also included is the engineering costs for phase two of McGill Park. Two larger projects that we have been talking to you about, the waterline replacement project and the headworks project. Those are both going to be hopefully funded with, technically, federal funding administered through the state through the Water Supply Revolving Loan Account and Water Pollution Control Loan Fund. Also, as always, we have the annual street and sidewalk program and the street tree planting program.

What I have done here is broken down the General Fund. Everything in red is the departmental total that will correlate to what is in the appropriation ordinance in your packet. The blue is what is sort of set aside for that specific expenditure out of that department. So, my numbers are not always going to add up because I didn't go through and list when we're buying office supplies and paying for our copier and stuff like that. I'm trying to hit more of the high points for you. Our Sheriff contract, we're expecting an increase of about 7%. I don't have firm numbers. But that was what I was told by their fiscal individual based on their negotiated contracts and what they are seeing in those. We are continuing to put people in jail. We put more people in jail, so more money to put people in jail. And also in our contract with Fairfield County we purchase them a vehicle every year. All those roll up to that \$1.6 million number for the sheriff.

Public Health. We have a contract with Franklin County Public Health to provide public health services. Estimating that to be about \$100,000. And then we do have a contract with Human Services, where we pay them quarterly for a total of \$63,100 every year for the services that they provide for the senior transportation program. The community center, you will see an increase there. We're going to hopefully continue to expand the programs that we're offering at the community center. We do need to pay the people that do those programs. We're increasing the budget for that. Parks. One of the potential positions is the assistant public service director that will be responsible for streets lands and buildings. We have included partial funding for that individual. So, 75% of the year. So roughly an April 1st start date. And you can see the cost there, that cost is all inclusive. That's wages, insurance, all the employer costs, everything that is included in the budget for that particular position. Also, in parks is the phase two engineering at \$200,000 and some more diamond dirt for Hanners Park. We did a little bit this year. We're going to do a little bit next year for the baseball fields out there.

Under the swimming pool, we do have a three-year contract. Next year is year three of this contract s I'm sure you all are aware, inflation has been crazy. supply chain issues have caused prices to rise. And we have had some preliminary conversations with Columbus Pool Management that runs the pool for us, and we're thinking we're going to have to go back and revisit that contract. It's just not fair to them to take a very large deficit. Based on the fact that costs are rising for chemicals and personnel. In order to attract people to work at the pool, they needed to pay more this year. We're in a preliminary conversation with them about what that looks like. I put in here \$175,000. It would require an amendment or a brand new contract and that will require council approval. We do sell concessions stand items. Everything cost more this year and it was crazy, trying to find things and how much more expensive stuff was so I've included an increase for that. And then we've been discussing relocating the fence along report road. If you have questions about that, I'm going to turn you over to Mr. Peoples. We don't know exactly how much that's going to cost. But we have money set aside for that.

The Development Department, this is where we pay for plan review, inspection services, both building and plumbing. I just gave you the large dollar amount in the development. There's really nothing, not status quo happening in that department next year. Urban forester, you're going see a pretty significant increase in the salaries and benefits. We are putting an additional worker in there. That worker actually exists. They work for Mr. Miller under that department, but he's currently being paid out of the different department. So, I'm just moving them over to the urban forester for better tracking purposes for me internally. And then there's three other things included in there. We already talked about the

street tree program we do every year, the purchase of the watering skid, and then we'd like to put some additional planters in downtown.

The mayor, you're going to see quite a large increase in the mayor. And this is related to the city administrator position that I mentioned earlier. So ideally, if that position is created, we would like it filled sooner rather than later. We have included about 92% of which is roughly 11 months. Obviously, if we choose not to fund that at all, we'll move that money out. But the way that I have it currently budgeted half of that individual's salary and benefits would come out of the General Fund. The other half would be split between the utility funds to kind of balance that out because that individual does oversee everything. Also included in the mayor is the cost for our property and liability insurance.

Next is Council. That's where I take all our codification services and online hosting of the code. That goes right along with that ordinance that was discussed a little while ago and updating those. I'm not sure how many of you are familiar with the fact that we do use an online software called CivicClerk to create your agendas. We pay for that every year. And then we do provide Destination: Canal Winchester \$22,000 a year to go towards the Executive Director's compensation. So that is also in the council line. Mayor's court. These are pretty standard. We pay a magistrate and we have to offer public defender services. And then we also under the Revised Code have to pay for a portion of the county municipal court, our proportionate share.

In my department, finance, I have somebody put together our financials every year. It's very time consuming, and it's worth every penny to me to pay somebody else to do. And then next year is going to be our biennial audit. We will be audited for 2020-21 and 2022 next year. I included costs for that. And then we pay for all of our banking and our credit card fees out of the finance line as well. Human resources is exactly what you probably think drug testing, backgrounds, you know, things along those lines come out of that line.

Public Service, this is what we like to call Matt's hidey hole. When he needs some money, this is where he goes. But generally speaking, we use public service to buy smaller pieces of equipment. Or if we need to replace a smaller mower or we need trimmers or you know, things along those lines, we'll use that money for that. We separate out the fleet so that you can see just how much we're spending on fuel. And I have increased that budget based on the discussion earlier and the cost of gas. I did mention that we were looking at replacing three vehicles, two of them are in the General Fund. The third one is in the Water Fund. We have about \$100,000 in there for those two vehicles. There is going to be some lead time on the purchase of those as well.

Our lands and buildings department, we are looking at replacing a mower and that traffic tracking message board that I mentioned. We also pay for all the utilities across the city that aren't directly related to water and sewer out of this line. And all of our contracts. We have a lot of contracts that I think most people probably don't think about. We have to have the HVAC looked at, the fire alarms, the elevators, we have our buildings cleaned, we have our copiers, we have all these things that we have to pay for. And so we have condensed that all down into the lands and buildings rather than in individual departments. Obviously, we need office supplies. There's also a budget in there for some additional maintenance items on the city buildings and these are like physical things. If something needs a roof replaced or fixed or I think we have some town hall work in there again. Anything that's going to update the structure of the building. We're talking more along the lines of our older buildings, 36 or Town Hall specifically. We'd like to put that in there because we just don't know what could happen.

And then we always have to budget for IT. Again, knock on wood, things tend to happen to us at the end of the year. So hopefully that won't happen this year. But we need money in case it does.

Community Affairs, this is where we pay for that community newsletter that everyone gets with their utility bills every month. We also have a separate budget for our events. Everything is separate for that so that we can track what we're

spending.

I briefly touched earlier on an IT Technician. During the discussion about the appropriation amendment and the consultant, like I said, Mr. Brown can't do it all. We believe he needs a little bit of assistance. So, we would like to create an IT Technician position. We funded that in the budget for three quarters of the year. And again, that cost is all inclusive. And then increasing consultant fees, just like we talked about. He's using them more and more for things that maybe are just a little outside of his scope, or he's getting pulled in a bunch of different directions and needs some help. We've increased that budget.

Under administration, we've got things that maybe we don't want to pay for but are required to pay for. Income tax fees, property tax fees. We have a legal contract with FrostBrownTodd. We also have a legal contract with Metz Bailey. They provide services at Franklin County. Any kind of Canal Winchester case that is sent to the county, they will defend Canal Winchester for us. We pay a very nominal rate for that but that is also included in there. That gives us a little more control over what happens with those cases at the county level. We also have two very large expensive agreements that we're paying on. We have the CEDA agreement with Violet Township and the Canal Winchester MOB agreement. We're within the last few years of the MOB agreement, but that's us reimbursing the Diley Ridge Medical Office building, that's what the MOB is, for property taxes. It's about \$210 to \$215,000 a year. Also in this line are the principal and interest payments on our owner financing purchases - McGill, McDorman, and Moody, which is 20 South High Street that council just approved not that long ago. You will also see \$853,000 in transfers out. All \$853,000 of that is related to the city's debt. And that gets transferred into the debt Fund, which was where I then cut the check from to pay said debt.

Clark – Is the total debt then between the \$412,500, that's included in the \$853,000 or that's separate? The what's our total debt? The \$700,000 and the \$412 and the \$853?

Jackson – The \$700,000 is not debt. The \$412,000 is for those three specific purchase. The \$853,000 is everything else. That's going to be OPWC, general obligation debt. Anything we are using income tax revenues to pay for. This is a small portion of about \$150,000 towards the public service garage debt that was issued in 2015 that's going to come out of the Street Maintenance Fund. So you have the \$412,000, the \$853,000, and the \$150,000. That would be our total debt payments for next year. \$1.4 million.

Clark – How much higher is that than the previous year?

Jackson – I have a graph for you at the end of my presentation. We can look at that a little bit more. In the construction services department, this is where we pay for our annual street and sidewalk program. We've got a million dollars budgeted for that. We also pay our engineering contracts out of there. And then the construction, inspection fees, that's both private and public development that we pay for inspection fees out of that line item. And then lastly, out of the General Fund, is where we buy our streetlights and where we repair them should something go wrong.

Total General Fund - \$11,432,300. For 2023, my estimated revenues, what I'm expecting to come in in 2023, is equal to what I'm asking for in this budget. That means we're not going to touch our fund balance. That \$11 million total is a 1.4% increase over the 2022 original appropriations. It's not a very large increase. We have been very fortunate that the last few years we've been doing a lot of one-time projects. We're not really picking up a lot of reoccurring costs. We're taking those onetime projects and then filling them back in with another one-time project. At the end of '23, I'm estimating we're probably going to have about \$15 million in the General Fund. We do not need \$15 million in the General Fund. Rule of thumb across Central Ohio seems to be anywhere between three and six months in the fund balance. That makes me a little nervous, I prefer to be somewhere between six and nine. But what that means that is if everything shut down, we'd be able to continue to operate for six or nine months with what we have in the bank. Since that my balance is so large, what are we going to do with it? We really probably need to do something with some of this money. I don't have an answer for you right now. I would prefer to have that discussion after the first of the year, when we see exactly where we end 2022. But a couple of things that we will likely use it for is to pay down our short-term debt that we issued for this

building and for the park, and perhaps paying look at paying cash for other capital projects rather than taking out more debt. So, we will discuss that more after the first of the year.

Street Maintenance Fund - we do pay for some individuals out of the Street Maintenance Fund. I also mentioned that we're going to pay a portion of the Public Service garage debt \$150,000 out of this fund. We've been doing that for several years because this fund is very healthy. This fund is funded by motor vehicle license tax and gasoline tax. We've included increases for fuel for the city vehicles and equipment and increases in costs for maintenance of those vehicles. Because again, things aren't getting any less expensive. We have under the street maintenance department within this fund, we have bridge inspection services, and then we do rent some miscellaneous equipment that we don't necessarily need to own, so we've got money in there for those rentals as well as just miscellaneous supplies that the guys have to buy. And then lastly, in this fund, is our purchase of road salt per agreement with ODOT. We have \$41,000 in there for that. Total appropriations of the Street Maintenance Fund just over \$615,000. In this case, our revenues for next year do not equal the appropriations. We're looking at about \$49,000 deficit. Now this fund, as you can see down here, my estimated fund balance is still over a half million dollars. It's very, very large. So, realistically, we will not spend all \$615,000 of this. It is highly likely that we will not end with this deficit. But I would like to give you worst case scenario. Typically, we spend anywhere between 89% and 92% of what we budget at any given year. Just depends on what's happening. Why did it go down from 22 to 23. I just moved around where some of our employees were paid from to alleviate some of the funds that maybe we were getting a little heavy on. But we do have plans for this half million dollar, we're looking at having to replace our bucket truck in the future so we will likely pay for it out of this fund.

State Highway Fund - Also funded with motor vehicle license tax and gasoline tax. I mentioned earlier we're looking at purchasing a roadside mower in conjunction with Violet Township. This is where that \$50,000 come from for that and then we are always having to do something with their traffic signals and guardrails, so setting aside some money to do that on the state highway designated roads within Canal Winchester. Our revenues don't equal our appropriations in this fund. There's a \$50,000 deficit. That is so we can buy that roadside mower. That's a one-time purchase. Still going to have quite a healthy balance. This fund doesn't build as quickly in the revenue just it's only seven and a half percent of what we receive for motor vehicle license and gasoline taxes. So, we try not to spend out of this but then we save it for larger purchases.

Permissive tax - again motor vehicle license tax, more traffic signal and guardrail maintenance and repairs come out of this fund. And then earlier this year we purchased a large truck and snow plow. We financed that. That's where the principal and interest payments are going to come from is from this fund. In this case, we do anticipate estimated revenues equaling our appropriations so we're not touching our fund balance and we will likely end next year with about \$150,000 in that fund.

Bed Tax Grant – We have the Bed Tax Grant program. \$25,000 for that. We recently updated section 185.02 of our codified ordinances, to spell out how this funding is distributed. I have dollar amount in here of \$76,000 underneath that allocation, and then also Destination's portion of those bed tax receipts. As you recall, half of our bed tax total receipts go into this fund, and then half of that half goes to Destination. We do not have revenues equaling appropriations in this fund. Showing an \$8,500 surplus. That's because there were funds that a council has earmarked for future city activities, the Bicentennial, and I think you had the signage, we're keeping that in the fund. So isn't there's no appropriation associated with those funds for right now. And then estimating that we'll finish '23 with about \$175,000 in that fund.

Gender Road TIF, I'm bringing this one to your attention because we do have reoccurring payments coming out of here. We are also looking at some access improvements for Winchester Blvd, and so we've thrown a little bit of money in there. It's probably not going to be nearly enough. So, we may be coming back to you for more to start the engineering. You know what is possible out on Winchester Boulevard to make access better out there. We pay annually for a portion of Winchester Boulevard that the extension was done by a private contractor, one of the businesses out there and then we are reimbursing them for that at \$40,000 a year. So next year will be payment number eight out of 10. Our last few that will be in 2025. I also have budgeted repaying ourselves for a couple of things. We bought Hanners Park as part of

BrewDog coming to town back in 2015. We never did pay ourselves back on for that purchase out of these funds. We're slowly doing that when we have the ability to do so. And then we advanced money from the Water and Sewer Connections funds to this fund to extend the utilities to Bixby Road. We're going to slowly reimburse the Water and Sewer Connections funds for that as well. In total I have about \$240,000 in there. The city is paid last. If something comes up next year, we won't pay ourselves back. But ideally, with the way revenues have been coming in, unless they spring something on me next year, we should be able to at least partially repay ourselves. Our estimated revenues do not equal our appropriations. We have another surplus in this fund. I'm anticipating over \$200,000. What are we doing with those funds, holding them for future public improvements in the General Road corridor.

The Local Fiscal Recovery fund. This is ARPA funding that we received. We received about \$927,000. This was the second COVID funding from the federal government. So next year, we're going take the annual payment for the JRD per our agreement out of this funding, gives us a little bit of extra funding in the General Fund for next year. And then use the rest of it and on an undetermined capital project. It says undetermined, but more than likely, we'll probably use it for the shelter house at McGill Park, the three season shelter that Mr. Sims was discussing earlier. We do have until December 31, 2024, obligate these funds, meaning figure out what we're going to do with them, get that project started. And then I think it's '26 that we have to spend it by. But ideally, we will take care of this next year.

Milliken – The Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, with us discussing potential money to go to the Chamber of Commerce. Would that be similar as what we're seeing here with the agreement? The JRD?

Jackson – Potentially. The Local Fiscal Recovery fund is very generous with what you can use it for. I would like to review it before I give you the final yes or no that we could use that money to pay an agreement with the Chamber. But it is pretty generic. So, there's a potential.

This is our Debt fund. As I mentioned earlier, \$853,000 coming out of the General Fund is being put into this fund to pay our debt. The principal and interest payments we have on long term non water and sewer debt is \$695,000 plus the \$150,000 coming out of the Street Fund. Also included in that 853 is the interest payment on our bond anticipation notes. We have \$5.75 million worth of bond anticipation notes that were issued for the renovation of this building and phase one of McGill Park. I did not want to put in there what we were going to pay down on those yet. Again, I want to see where we're at at the end of this year, and beginning of next year, we can discuss how much we should pay in addition to the interest. We have to pay the interest every year, we could potentially roll that debt, but with the way that interest rates are continuing to rise, it's probably not in our best interest to continue to roll that debt. But that's a discussion for after the first of the year. And we didn't keep just a little bit of money in there, just in case. Anytime there's a rounding error or something like that.

Water fund. Water fund handles all water activity. We have included in here partial year funding for an Assistant Public Service Director related to utilities. The thought would be that that assistant public service director would oversee water and sewer so their compensation will be split 50/50 between the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund. It also includes, as I mentioned earlier, partial funding for a potential city administrator. That would be about 25%. Also, in the water office, sub department is the principal and interest on our water debt. So that's about \$263,000. On this particular fund, they do have one other debt that gets paid out of the Connections Fund. And then this is the third replacement vehicle that I mentioned would be for the water. Under the water plant, we have included some funding for engineering of a new admin building. This is a project that has been on Matt's radar for many, many years. Hopefully we're going to move forward with that next year. This is just the engineering and cost of the actual building will have to be brought before Council as appropriation amendment when we get to that point. I don't have an estimated dollar amount for you right now. And then obviously, we're saying continue increases in chemicals. And as our city grows, we're using more. We have included an increase for chemicals for next year. We also have included funding for a source water assessment and protection plan at a cost of about \$50,000. I have Mr. Peoples can speak to exactly what that is and how often it has to be done, I do not know. He just asked me take sure that we have money for it in the budget. We also pay Pickerington for water. Over in the Diley Rd area we technically purchased that water from the city of Pickerington. And then we have to

turn around and not paying for that. We're seeing obviously an increase in development with the Greengate development over there. We have included an increase in our anticipated costs for the city of Pickerington to bring in that additional development and their water usage. And then we have been slowly working on a meter upgrade project for the last several years now. We have an annual allocation of funds for that project included in the water fund. Our total in the water fund is \$2.1 million. We do have a \$253,000 deficit. There's a lot of one time costs associated or in next year in water budget that we talked about. That new admin building, the SWAP plan, and then eventually the implementation of this meter upgrade project is going to go away. We're getting to the end, hopefully only maybe two more years or so. And then that'll be done and we won't have that cost in our budget. We also have included the funding for those potential new positions. We're looking to finish the end of '23 with \$2 million in the Water Fund. As you can see, not very different from what we're budgeting so about a year's worth of appropriations.

Water Connections Fund. Basically the largest thing happening out of this fund next year is the water replacement project that is going to hopefully be funded with the Water Source Revolving Loan Account, which is a federal program administered by the state. If you have specific questions about what will be replaced again, my broken record I'm sending Mr. Peoples, I do have to account for both the revenue and the expenditure for that project so you will see an in and out even if the state is paying the contractor directly, I have to show that on my books. Revenues in this case do equal appropriations in this fund for that purpose.

Sewer Fund very much similar to the Water Fund with the partial funding for an Assistant Public Service Director for utilities and the city administrator and also budgeted the anticipated retirement of an employee and their associated leave payout. Again, that's not 100%. But we are including him because we do believe that individual's hoping to retire. Our sewer debt is a little bit larger than maybe some of our other debt. \$426,000 in principal and interest. We have two more payments 2023 and 2024 and then that number will significantly drop. Just couple more years to get through that.

Shea – Why's it going to drop?

Jackson - Because we will have paid off our largest sewer debt at that point.

Shea – For what?

Jackson – They are revenue bonds that were issued before my time here that we refinanced.

Peoples – For the plant.

Jackson - We also have included in here a purchase of these three level sensors at about \$30,000 apiece. And then lastly, in the collection sub department of the Sewer Fund, we do every year sewer line jetting and cleaning and things along those lines so we've got money set aside for that. We also have an odor control system, I'm not sure how many of you are aware of that. But we rent the equipment and then we have to purchase the deodorant. We are also looking to purchase a sewer camera that we're going to split the cost of in Stormwater Fund so that they can camera on the lines. And then again, the sewer has a portion of that meter upgrade project that they pay for each year. Total appropriations for the Sewer Fund, just under \$2.3 million. We do see a decrease between '22 and '23 in the sewer fund. And why is that? Well, the initial design of the headworks project was included in the '22 budget. Again, that one-time cost is now coming out of the budget. We're still anticipating finishing '23 with about \$3 million in the bank in the Sewer Fund.

In the Sewer Connections Fund, with the headworks project coming on, that's a much larger, deeper discussion. But for next year, we're looking at the detailed design portion of that project at a cost of just under \$2 million. We're hoping, if everything goes well, we're going to be funded through the Water Pollution Control Loan fund. Again, another federal program administered by the state, and that they will reimburse us for engineering costs. They will pay a construction contractor directly, they will not pay engineers directly. So, we will have to pay the engineer and then get reimbursed. That is a 0% loan for five years. Financially speaking, a good idea for us, especially since we anticipate the actual headquarters project to probably be at least \$20 million. That will allow us to get moving on that project without having

to incur interest on that \$2 million. We're going to see a million dollar surplus in this fund. And that's because we have the Sewer Rate Stability Fund that's been hanging out there for a while. That was a requirement of the sewer revenue debt back when it was issued. That requirement went away when we refinanced those bonds back in 2013, I believe it was. And so now we just kind of kept that money there knowing that we have these large capital projects coming along. We're going to finally use that money. And that's going to help us pay for the engineering costs. And then get reimbursed. It is kind of confusing, because you're going to see money coming in from two directions to fund the one expenditure, but it's one of those funny things in the finance world of how I have to book everything. Again, this is the Sewer Rate Stability Fund, you'll see that million dollars coming out and it's just going from Sewer Rate Stability to Sewer Connections for the headworks detailed design, and that essentially would close out this fund. It will remain on the books, but it won't have any activity.

Lastly, Stormwater Fund. We do pay for 1.25 employees out of this fund. Again, we will be purchasing a sewer camera that we're splitting with the Sewer Fund. Also, as part of that water line replacement project that I mentioned earlier, we're going to do some work, I put Woodview Dr but I think it's actually more of the Dye Addition not just Woodview. Matt, correct me if I'm wrong. They're going to do some curb and gutter work as part of that project. And we're going to take that money out of this stormwater fund the Stormwater Fund looks very, very healthy so we decided this is a good place to use that funding rather than that coming from just the General Fund. You are going to see a \$200,000 deficit in this fund and that is strictly related to that curb and gutter work. So again, one time project.

This is I have two more slides both about debt. So hopefully Mr. Clark, we can answer your question. And then with that I will answer any questions or anybody else might have. I went back, I can go back further, but I didn't want to overwhelm you, to 2019 of where we were with our debt payments. Each line represents a different type of debt. The orange are the OPWC loans. You can see I went out to 2028. Really, there's no huge drop off in the general debt other than here, This is actually general obligation debt, this top line. So again, back in 2013, I believe it was we refunded some debt. And that debt will finally be paid off. Last payment will be in '24. We will see a pretty significant decrease in what is coming out of the general fund for debt payments. Now, this spike here represents our bond anticipation notes, the debt we took out for this building, and for phase one of McGill Park. In 2022 you can see here that it went down. We did make a payment, which is why our principal balance is lower. We paid down \$750,000 plus interest on that. Right now, this here represents the payment that we will make next year on it. That's just interest only because I don't know, principal wise what we're going to do yet. But I wanted you to see where we're at. So back here in 2025 this is all the debt we've got. Very low. These are annual payments on the debt. We're at about \$400,000 in both general obligation debt, and our owner financing. So this includes our leases. I'm bringing the McGill Park, McDorman Building, and Moody.

Clark – All that will be paid off?

Jackson - No, well, are you talking about bond anticipation notes? Or are you talking about the financing of the actual purchase of the building?

Clark - Yeah. Well, the whole I mean, both interest and principal on it.

Jackson - For the renovation?

Clark - Yeah, well, I mean, I'd like to get a scope of everything that we've got going that's coming out of the general fund of what our debt payments are total right now. And so I'm confused. I see the spike and how quickly that goes down.

Jackson - Because all I have included in your budget right now is the interest payment. We have \$158,000 interest payment on our on bond anticipation notes, when they come to you next May.

Clark – Wouldn't you pay principal and interest?

Jackson – That's not how bond anticipation notes work. I can pay the entire principal amount and the interest and we're looking at \$5.8 million. I can put that in the budget. But the reason I didn't do that is because I don't know if we're going

to pay the entire \$5.75 million in principle off or not. That is a discussion we're going to have after the first of the year, when we see where we end, we 100% have to pay the interest portion. We do not necessarily have to pay the principle. We can roll that

Clark - I wouldn't expect it in one year you pay the whole thing. But that's where I'm just trying to get an idea in my head where you know, where we are financial kind of, of how much debt we're carrying versus how much we have.

Jackson - Last week, I provided you with a spreadsheet that showed our total outstanding principal and interest at the end of this year. we do have several large debt payments that we make every December 1. So I'm doing this as if we already paid those off, because that's included in our 22,000 and where we would be at the end of this year. principal and interest we will be at \$14,035,000 outstanding in general debt. Now, if you remember, I'm anticipating finishing '23 with about \$15 million in General Fund balance all of these debts with the exception of the short term bond anticipation notes for this building and McGill Phase i. There is no reason to pay them off early. There is no benefit.

Clark -Gotcha.

Jackson - Yes. Included in that spreadsheet that I sent you and not only is that is that total there but our next total payment which is \$1.4 million. And it also gives you the last payment year for each debt that we have outstanding so you can see when they start to drop off. We have one dropping off next year, two in '24, one in '25. We have it sort of staggered. Some of these debts are very small. They are OPWC and OWDA. OPWC generally takes it out 20 or 25 years so those payments are tiny, but we will see them drop over the next several years.

Shea - So when I'm looking at that spreadsheet, are those payments, like on the bank finance bans, short term bans, that's interest only?

Jackson - That's right. Yes. That note I have next payment consists of interest only.

Shea - But the rest of them are principal and interest.

Jackson - Correct. Yes.

Shea – Do we have any other obligations that were contractually not allowed to pay off earlier.

Jackson - I'm not 100% sure how to answer that. I'd have to go back and read the owner financing agreements to see. Generally speaking, when you pay these types of debts off, we're going to be paying principal and interest as it stands. We're not going to save anything paying it off early. We're going to pay the full everything. So that's why I said, there's really no advantage to doing that. I have reached out to OPWC,, It's been a little while, asking that question. And she said, Well, yeah, you can pay it off. But you're paying all it.

Amos – If I recall, I don't think this building can be paid off early.

Jackson - I don't believe it can. But I didn't want to speak to that. That was an I remember, for centuries so that we can

Shea – The only one we can talk about at the beginning of the year is the short term BANs.

Jackson - Correct. Yes. And then my last slide here is the utility debt. I had mentioned earlier, how we have this big drop off in the Sewer Fund. We've been talking about the headworks project, and the fact that that's going to be a very large dollar project. And we will be taking out debt, hopefully, through the state to do that project. But what this is basically showing us that we'll be able to withstand taking on that debt. Based on construction timelines, and everything, we wouldn't anticipate making a payment prior to this drop this other debt dropping off. As you can see, once that does, we're less than \$100,000 a year in sewer debt. So, I just kind of wanted to show you in graph form that yes, \$20 million seems like a lot, and it is going to be a lot, but we have the ability to withstand that payment.

Clark - This might be more directed to Mr. Peoples. What do you foresee the fees to pay that \$20 million? I assume that's

going to be out of the sewer? We're going to collect that back from sewer users. What fees do you see increasing to pay for that?

Peoples - Well, we just passed the water and sewer both, I guess it was last month with four years have two and a half percent each year. That that was factored into that. We have a on there, Miss Jackson is looking at, I believe a \$7 million fund balance in the Sewer Connection Fund. As we start getting a little bit closer, we need to figure out how much we're going to pay down on that rather than financing all of it. As we've said, we've been building these funds, pretty much across the board knowing we got these very large projects that we're going to have to finance. The lower the amount that we can finance and still be able to keep a comfortable balance in those accounts, the better off we're going to be approved.

Jackson - The one thing that I do want to mention about that potential loan through the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund, the interest rate on a construction loan through that program is based on interest rates in the general world, if you will. Ss those continue to rise, so will that interest rate. The interest rate is currently just under 2%. It changes every month. So unfortunately, it's hard for us to figure out where that interest rates going to be with construction starts. But that goes back to what Mr. Peoples was saying about balancing how much we take out as a loan versus what portion we just pay cash for to help balance that, the interest costs in our annual payment associated with that.

Amos – The two funds that you discussed earlier for the water. Are those also factored in at the current rate of interest or is that special because their government loans?

Jackson – Are you talking about the water line replacement as project?

Amos - You named two funds that we expect to receive funds from.

Jackson - Yes, WSLRA and WPCLF. The WSLRA is water. WPCLF is sewer. That's what we're just talking about with headworks funding is the WPCLF. The WSLRA is the small community rate. Again, would be based on what interest rates are, you know, out there in the world, and it is a reduced rate. We are considered a small community, and they give you sort of a break on that interest rate. I don't see that one rising as much because we are anticipating construction next year. With the headworks project, we're not anticipating construction for another year. I can't see out that far with interest rates.

Shea – I'm looking at the water and this is probably more Mr. Peoples. It looks like you're going retire a big portion of that debt in 2027. Do you have more in the pipeline are we going to be okay for a little bit?

Peoples – Well, for which one? The sewer one is going to expire, well we won't have a payment in '25. On the water, we'll be looking at a plant expansion. So that's our next big project for that other than the WSRLA project and the water treat plant administration building. Other that way, our flows keep on increasing at the plant, so at some point, we will need to do a plant expansion or a new plant.

Shea – Se even though those graphs are going down, it's probably going right back.

Peoples - Those are those are temporarily down. We stuck the money away. And knowing that we're getting close to 20 years on the water treatment plant, by the end of the by the time we pay off the debt. So those are the, the horizon year for the for the design on this.

Jackson - We're trying to strategically stagger when we do these projects so that we're not carrying a lot of debt in one single year. So ideal scenario would be that sometime out around '27 is when we would see another new debt come on, for the water, in this case, the water treatment plant expansion or whatever it is that we're going to be doing over there. It might be one year of a higher payment, but then drop back to more of a normal level.

A motion was made by Shea, seconded by Amos to move ORD-22-041 to full Council. The motion carried with the following vote:

*Yes 6 – Shea, Amos, Buskirk, Clark, Milliken, Amick
Abstain 1 – Walker*

.F. Old/New Business

OTH-22-021

Pedestrian Safety

Peoples – I submitted a purchase order for the flashing pedestrian signals for the Thrush Dr crossing.

Buskirk – The striping on the crosswalk there looks great.

Peoples – They did the striping on Saturday, they painted the green crosswalk at that intersection as well.

OTH-22-022

Police Study

Clark – Ms. Jackson , thank you for your written report on that. Do the consultants have everything they need?

Jackson – I have not heard from them. They acknowledged receipt of data from Fairfield County. I know Sgt. Walker and I have some of the administrative pieces, not the call data, they have all that, to start analyzing it. A couple of minor pieces we have to get them. But I have not heard from them that they are having problems, but I have attempted to check in.

Clark – How long ago was it that they got that information?

Jackson – It was after your last meeting. It was Friday, the 7th.

Amick – If I recall, it's a 90 day turn around.

Clark – Well, yes, but that's after they get everything and they start diving in.

Jackson – I've been trying to check in on a regular basis and hopefully they understand that they can reach out if they are having any issues.

G. Adjournment @ 7:46 p.m.

A motion was made by Shea, seconded by Buskirk to adjourn. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Shea, Buskirk, Clark, Milliken, Walker, Amick, Amos