

The Council Meeting held on Sunday, December 30th at 4:00 p.m. was called to order by Mayor Stacy with roll call. All Members of Council were present with the exception of Ms. Nancy Nichols. Clerk/Treasurer Bolton was present. Solicitor Hyle was not expected to attend.

	<u>Made By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
A Motion to Approve Previous Council Minutes	Santen	Pastrick	All Yeas
A Motion to Pay Warrants & Vouchers and Adopt Pay Ord #22-2011	Santen	Pastrick	All Yeas

A Motion to Excuse Councilwoman Nichols from Attendance at this Meeting was made by Meyers; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT

Clerk/Treasurer Bolton began by reviewing the various year-end legislative items for Council’s review: An Ordinance dealing with year-end reappropriations, an Ordinance establishing temporary appropriations for 2013 and a Resolution ratifying a fund transfer from earlier in the year.

RESOLUTION #43-2012

Ratify Fund Transfers Made in 2012

	<u>Made By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
A Motion to Adopt Resolution # 43-2012	Santen	Meister	All Yeas

ORDINANCE #24 – 2012

Amend Appropriation Ordinance

	<u>Made By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
A Motion to introduce Ord #24-2012	Santen	Pastrick	All Yeas
A Motion to Suspend Rules, Read by Title Only	Santen	Pastrick	All Yeas
A Motion to Adopt Ord #24-2012	Santen	Pastrick	All Yeas

ORDINANCE #25 – 2012

Establish 2013 Temporary Appropr

	<u>Made By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
A Motion to introduce Ord #25-2012	Santen	Meister	All Yeas
A Motion to Suspend Rules, Read by Title Only	Santen	Meister	All Yeas
A Motion to Adopt Ord #25-2012	Santen	Meister	All Yeas

At this time Mayor Stacy informed Council he has been calling many Villages in Southwest Ohio who have an income tax and asking them how the process went for them as well as how happy they are with RITA’s services. He received very positive information overall and feels good about the possibilities for the Village. Chuck Hawk from RITA has come back with a very conservative estimate of \$247,000 to \$304,000 a year including the school and residents, but no other businesses.

At this time a discussion was held concerning revenue generation for 2013 and beyond with the emphasis on a possible income tax in order to catch some revenue from the schools which will need our services when the school opens in fall of 2013. Placing a safety levy back on the ballot was also discussed, but most felt even if we were successful it would not bring in enough revenue to sustain us into 2014 and beyond. Ms. Pastrick indicated she had some reservations about an income tax and wanted to see some more definite figures if possible. A discussion

was held about the estimated figure. Other topics discussed were the possibility of the school willingness to budget funds for additional police protection during the day in light of the tragedy in Connecticut. In-school resource officers and possible funds to cover such a position were also discussed. Council and Mayor determined a special Public Hearing should be scheduled to address the issue of an income tax to better inform the residents of this possibility and the reasons for its consideration.

Lastly, Ms. Meister asked the Clerk if she had heard about the Board of Public Affairs making the decision to cover their employees with health care benefits which would include dependents and their contribution to the entire monthly premium would remain at 14% . The Clerk indicated she has heard and spoken with Solicitor Hyle about this very issue.

A Motion to Adjourn made by Santen; seconded by Meister. ALL YEAS.

Mayor Stacy

Clerk/Treasurer Linda Bolton