

**ST. BERNARD VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 3, 2014**

The regular meeting of the St. Bernard Village Council was held on Thursday, July 3, 2014 in Council Chambers.

President of Council, Mr. Michael Peck – The meeting was opened with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call showed that six members were present: Mr. Tobergte, Ms. Hausfeld, Mr. Kalb, Mr. Asbach, Mr. Culbertson and Mrs. Bedinghaus.

Mr. Asbach made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Mr. Culbertson seconded the motion. Council agreed 6-0.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR, Mr. Burkhardt – The Mayor’s Monthly Court Report Receipts for June, 2014: Mayor’s Court Costs/Fines/Fees/Miscellaneous receipts were \$5,474.10, Bonds forfeited \$50.00, Total to St. Bernard was \$5,524.10. Total to the County was \$35.50. Total to State was \$1,586.50. Total Disbursements were \$7,146.10.

AUDITOR, Mrs. Brickweg – Before last week’s COW meeting there was a Public Hearing for the 2015 Tax Budget. Tonight Council will be voting on this budget, which contains the following:

This is the Public Hearing for the 2015 Tax Budget of the Village of St. Bernard. This Budget will be submitted to Hamilton County for their review & action.

I have provided Council and the Administration with the break out of the budget. There are extra copies on the table by the door if any audience members would like one.

One thing to note is that the County requires a breakdown of the general fund only, so you will not see large items such as the new Service Garage, Safety Center and the Vine Street Streetscape Project listed in the County’s budget. These projects go through the Capital Improvement Fund and will use the bonds the Village received last year.

The 2015 Tax Budget reflects the Village's General Fund which is the basic operating fund of the Village.

REVENUE (ESTIMATED FOR 2015)

Est. revenue from the Village's Earned Income Tax	\$ 9,500,000.00
Expected General Fund receipts from Property Taxes	\$ <u>1,000,000.00</u>
Total Local Tax Receipts is estimated to be	\$ <u><u>10,500,000.00</u></u>
Est. revenue from the State & County from revenue sharing & certain taxes & permits	\$ 252,150.00

Other expected revenue for the Village of St. Bernard comes from:

	\$
Charges for Services	275,000.00
	\$
Fines, Local Licenses & Permits	180,000.00
	\$
Miscellaneous Revenue	293,907.00
	\$
Other Sources	<u>390,000.00</u>

	\$
Total Estimated General Fund Revenue for 2015:	<u><u>11,891,057.00</u></u>

EXPENDITURES (estimated for 2015)

Within each class of expenditures in the Tax Budget, estimated costs are itemized for personnel, contractual services, supplies & materials, and equipment or capital outlay.

Classification:

	\$
Security of Persons & Property (Police & Fire Depts)	4,850,060.72
	\$
Public Health Services	58,713.82
	\$
Leisure Time Activities (Parks & Recreation)	182,706.52
	\$
Basic Utility Services (Service Dept.)	1,381,089.80
	\$
Transportation (Dial-a-Ride)	93,700.00
	\$
General Government	2,216,945.08

	\$
Transfers from the General Fund to other funds: (e.g. Streets, Swimming Pool, Debt Service, Master Plan & Employee Health Plan)	<u>3,107,841.06</u>

	\$
Total expected General Fund expenditures for 2015:	<u><u>11,891,057.00</u></u>

	\$
Estimated Surplus for the General Fund at the end of 2015:	<u><u>-</u></u>

The Auditor's Office has prepared Ordinance 30, 2014 for tonight's meeting. This Ordinance provides additional appropriations to:

01-2-I-9	Bank Avenue Litigation	\$240,000.00
01-67	Employee Accumulated Sick Pay	\$32,000.00
07-05	Service Garage Project	\$170,461.82

The \$240,000 to Bank Avenue Litigation is money the Village received from not reinvesting a CD that came due in June. The Service Garage Project \$170,461.82 is the remaining money in the Service Garage Bond that has not been appropriated to be spent. There is also Ordinance 33, 2014 on the table tonight which provides as additional appropriation of \$250,000.00 to the Service Garage Project. This money is above the Service Garage Bond \$3,500,000. Council will be voting to

take this money from the Safety Center Bond. Phil will explain the details of this Ordinance in his report.

Council and the Administration were given the June 2014 Expense, Revenue and Fund reports from our software system along with updated expense and revenue spreadsheets. Copies of these reports are also available at the front door of Council Chambers. In June, the Village received \$1,873,514.78 in revenues, included in that number is \$240,000 from the Village not reinvesting the CD that came due. Comparing the 2013 to 2014 year to date, the Villages revenues are up \$595,994.57, again this includes the investment money received. The expenses for June were \$1,652,266.61. Of that \$121,170.00 was spent on the new Service Garage Building and \$781,178.16 was spent on the new Safety Center. Comparing the year to date 2013 to 2014 expenses with the projects that use bond money removed, the expenses for 2014 are down \$214,949.59.

DIRECTOR OF LAW, Mr. Walden – Absent.

TREASURER, Mr. Ungruhe – Absent.

SAFETY DIRECTOR, Ms. VanValkenburg – Just to let you know that there are some hydrants that do need to be repaired. Somebody is coming and they are one of the people who help with the hydrant repair and in addition he'll be working on them and training one of our Firefighters can help do that kind of work in the future to help save us some cost on that.

SERVICE DIRECTOR, Mr. Stegman – I'm urging Council to pass tonight, by emergency, Ordinance 30, 31, 32, and 33. Ordinance 30 has the final money of the bond needed for the Service Center but put in the line item.

Ordinance 31, for me to enter into an agreement with Adleta Construction to begin the Village Streetscape.

Ordinance 32, for me to enter into an agreement with Elex Inc. for the conduit project for the Safety Center.

Ordinance 33 is asking Council for additional money to complete the Service Center. While Council is out in July we cannot move forward until this money is appropriated. We are over \$70,000.00 on the project if the project was complete today. This week I called everyone on Council and explained our problem.

If the Streetscape Ordinance is passed tonight there will be a preconstruction scheduled for July 16th at 10:00am with the contractors and utility people. On July 23rd at 3:00pm there will be a meeting with all the business owners to explain the project and its time table.

We received the notification for Ross Ave. from Ohio Public Works today.

Sometime in August or September we have to decide to do this project on Ross Ave.

Chalet and Heger final dollars came in for the final payment. This came under bid. We're going to be \$57,432. 70 lower that what the project projected.

We had a meeting with Duke this week, another outfit will be coming into town and they're going to be going behind the Shopping Center and doing Bank Ave., Harvey and Andalus doing gas lines behind the Shopping Center.

Mr. Myers is here tonight when we start to talk about the various dollars that are needed. I brought him to make sure an explanation of how these projects went through being a little bit over.

TAX COMMISSIONER, Mr. Geiser – (read by Mrs. Brickweg) I have placed in the mail boxes of each member of Council and the Administration the monthly earned income tax report.

The report details the earned income tax receipts for the month of June.

In June we received \$1,361,769.00.

We are now half way through the fiscal year and you may see the comparison of income levels compared to previous years.

For the first half of 2014, we have received \$5,429,109.00 in earned income tax. You may note from the report that this is one of the largest when combining the first two quarters of income.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE, Mr. Tobergte – Just to let the residents know that over the past couple of weeks there have been a couple of trucks stolen here in St. Bernard. The keys were left in the truck while the owners were working around the house. If you have a contractor working on your property, remind them to remove their keys. I know I'm guilty of it all the time so I'm going to start taking the keys out of my truck too.

SAFETY, Mr. Culbertson – The next Block Watch meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 15th at 6:30pm in Centennial Hall and it will include a SWAT display.

Also the Fire report for June: In June there were 25 total fire runs which includes one run to Elmwood. There were 62 total emergency medical responses runs which includes 4 runs to Elmwood. There were 19 inspections conducted.

SERVICE, Mr. Asbach – No report.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, Mrs. Schildmeyer – Absent.

LAWS, CONTRACTS AND CLAIMS, Mrs.. Bedinghaus – On July 24th at the next COW there will be, we will be discussing closure of the parks, not Ross and Vine but other ones that do not have lights and also grilling in those parks.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY, Mr. Kalb – No report.

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION, Ms. Hausfeld – For June, 2014 the daily bus passengers according to hours, total hours were 1,371. Totals to the date 8, 258 and even though we have no medical bus, still the total for this year is 14.

Mr. Asbach – The COW report has been submitted to the Clerk.

Committee of the Whole
June 26, 2014

1. Before the start of the regular COW meeting the Auditor held a Public Hearing on the 2015 budget that will be sent to the County. This will be voted on at next week's Council meeting.
2. Council approved the minutes of the June 19th Council meeting.

3. An Ordinance was discussed for the updates to our codified Ordinances and Council voted 5-0 to place it on the table.
4. Mayor, Bill Burkhardt

Reported that the Healthcare Committee met on Monday and voted to move forward with the creative healthcare solutions program provided by Enrollment Management Services. They will meet with each employee individually to identify other avenues of benefit coverage, if any, but this is not mandatory.

 - A. Said that Marge Niesen and Elaine met with the administrative staff from the Main and St Bernard libraries to discuss providing St Bernard history in the new facility. During that meeting they indicated that the library just received a fairly large grant from the State that might be a perfect fit for this type of project. Mrs. Niesen is researching how to reactivate St Bernard's Historical Society since it apparently did not get renewed sometime in 2003. A big thank you to Mrs. Niesen for her continued efforts.
 - B. Asked Council to approve the new Fire Chief Ordinance. Council voted 5-0 to place it on the table.
5. Auditor, Peggy Brickweg
 - A. Asked Council to put the money from the CD that just matured in line item 2-1-9-B until we find out what our fine will be for Bank Street.
 - B. Made Council aware of some line items that are low. Several were discussed, but the ones that will be placed on an Ordinance are the accumulated sick time for \$32,673.37, Service Center for \$170,461.82 and the money from the CD to line item 2-1-9-B. Council voted 5-0 to put it on the table.
 - C. Said that she sent in the paperwork for the new street sweeper.
 - D. Emailed info for the FSA which starts tomorrow.
6. Law Director, Curtis Walden
 - A. Said that he has reviewed three 40 plus page contracts and has approved them.
 - B. Said that he will try to gather more info on grilling in the parks and get it to the Laws Committee for their meeting.
 - C. Explained the Easement Ordinance for the Friars Club. The Village is under contract to purchase the house next to the driveway into Friars, and when we have a clear title the space could be used for signage for the entrance. Council vote 4-1 to place the Ordinance on the table.
7. Safety Director, Valerie VanValkenburg
 - A. Told Mr. Tobergte that the monitoring machine for cars and speed was broken and would cost about \$3,000.00 to replace. When the Police Chief finds out if there is one in the county that we can borrow he will let us know.
8. Service Director, Phil Stegman
 - A. Asked Council for two ordinances. The first is for the Streetscape Project, and the low bid was \$2,082,888.90 and the second was for the conduits at the new Safety Center and the low bid was \$31,125.00. Council voted 4-0-1. Mr. Tobergte abstained on the streetscape and 5-0 on the Safety Center.
9. Tax Commissioner, Ed Geiser
 - A. Reported that the April 15th filings are done and thanked Mrs. McCullough for all her work on this.
 - B. Thanked Peggy for watching the line items that are low.
 - C. Said that he sent out 40 e-filing forms since we have an online tool. The forms still need to be printed off and sent to the department.
 - D. Said that the quarterly taxes are being enforced and that estimates need to be paid.
 - E. Said that they will be sending out letters to those that did not file and that Ms. Helmes will be contacting landlords about filing names of new tenants when they move in.
10. Finance, Don Tobergte

- A. Asked Council to pass an Ordinance to make the Tax Commissioner give the finance estimates when preparing the budget. It was stated that the Mayor will present the budget and the estimate will be given then.
11. Safety, Ray Culbertson
 - A. Reported that the next Block Watch meeting will be Tuesday, July 15th downstairs.
 12. Laws, Contracts & Claims, Cindi Bedinghaus
 - A. Reported that the Committee will meet on Thursday, July 24th at 6:15 to discuss the grilling in the parks as well as the closing time.
 13. The new Fire Chief reported that the overtime number that was given earlier was a little high.

Respectfully submitted,
 Steve Asbach
 President of Council, Pro-Tem

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Kalb to read this evening's Resolutions and Ordinances by title only. Motion passed 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 11, 2014. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF ST. BERNARD, OHIO, REVISING THE TRAFFIC AND GENERAL OFFENSES CODES TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Culbertson to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 11, 2014.

REMARKS

Mr. Asbach – If anyone is thinking that this is odd that we have an Ordinance No. 11 and then we jump to No. 28, earlier in the year we had discussed an Ordinance and it was not brought to the table so there has not been an Ordinance No. 11, so that's why we are making this Ordinance No. 11 this evening.

The motion to suspend passed 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Culbertson to adopt Ordinance No. 11, 2014 as read. Motion passed 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 28, 2014. FIXING THE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS FOR THE FIRE CHIEF OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD AS OF JULY 28, 2014 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mrs. Bedinghaus to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 28, 2014. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Kalb to adopt Ordinance No. 28, 2014 as read. Motion passed 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 29, 2014. AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND GRANTING OF A LIMITED EASEMENT TO ERECT AND MAINTAIN SIGNAGE FROM THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD TO THE FRIARS CLUB AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Kalb to allow Ordinance No. 29, 2014 to take its regular course.

REMARKS

Mr. Asbach – Before the meeting tonight a few of us were talking and it’s not 100% clear that everyone was in favor of this so I have placed it on the COW agenda for the 24th and we will discuss it further.

Mr. Tobergte – Also, this Ordinance is a little misleading. We’re giving them an easement so they can maintain signage and it’s also a ten foot wide strip along the whole lane of the driveway for fire purposes. It’s not only for signs but widening the driveway too.

Ordinance No. 29, 2014 will take its regular course. Motion passed 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 30, 2014. AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mrs. Bedinghaus to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 30, 2014. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Culbertson to adopt Ordinance No. 30, 2014 as read. Motion passed 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 31, 2014. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ADLETA CONSTRUCTION FOR THE VINE STREET STREETScape & WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Kalb to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 31, 2014.

REMARKS

Mr. Tobergte – Since this also deals with the Vine St. Streetscape, on the advice of my attorney I will be abstaining for voting on it.

Mr. Stegman – I just want to reach out and say that in Section 1 it says walterline. That was changed on the Clerk’s copy. It’s corrected on the Clerk’s but it’s not

corrected for Council's copy but it is on the original. We didn't want to kill another tree to make those extra copies. I just wanted to ask Mr. Tobergte if it would be appropriate for him to go ahead and vote to have it go emergency to have the second and third reading so it could be passed tonight.

Mr. Tobergte – My attorney advised me, I'm allowed to vote on procedural moves but not on the actual passage.

Mr. Stegman – I checked with our attorney, that isn't here tonight ,that we have to have six to let it go by emergency but the emergency vote needs five votes.

The motion to suspend passed 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mrs. Bedinghaus to adopt Ordinance No. 31, 2014 as read. Motion passed 5-1-0. Mr. Tobergte abstained.

ORDINANCE NO. 32, 2014. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ELEX, INC. FOR THE SAFETY CENTER STREET LIGHT CONDUIT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Kalb to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 32, 2014. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Ms. Hausfeld to adopt Ordinance No. 32, 2014 as read. Motion passed 6-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 33, 2014. AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Kalb to suspend with the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 33, 2014.

REMARKS

Mr. Tobergte – Since Paul is here, could you give us some background how we came over budget. I know there is \$400,000.00 to bad soil but was there any test borings done down there, did they determine the soil before.

Mr. Myers – No, there were no test borings done and they would have proved fruitless anyway. Test borings are done at a specific point, typically corners or some other significant place in a building. This was the worse site I've ever seen. Probably every three feet we hit something else. So there was approximately a \$400,000.00 overrun in the dirt. That includes the test ,though obviously, that is the reason for it.

Mr. Tobergte – So when it was demolished was it not backfilled properly, I don't understand.

Mr. Myers – I don't know. I've been told by most people that there was never ever anything on that site. Nu-Maid was it. There were train tracks, there are sewers, you can identify where the Nu-Maid plant was. Specifically, where we were,

supposedly there was nothing there. We didn't hit foundation. We hit stuff. For lack of a better word, debris.

Mr. Tobergte – So Phil you're saying, \$70,000.00 would finish the job without any more problems?

Mr. Stegman – Where we're at today, if the job got completed and we had a completed building, we ran over \$70,000.00. But right now we still have a bunch of work. We don't predict anything but I can't offer any dollars being spent to give these guys. I can't call a special meeting and continue with the meeting so I'm asking for this money to be put up front for us if there is any overruns that we could go ahead and get those fixed so we can get the job completed. Basically we are, if I can't get this passed tonight, basically we'll have to shut it down and you guys come back and we have the three readings or whatever it takes to get this passed.

Mr. Tobergte – But in all probability this would get it.

Mr. Stegman - \$70,000.00 would get us, okay, say there's a steel rental or some piece of thing that wasn't forecasted in that \$70,000.00. I can't offer another additional cost. If there's still a concrete second floor that has to be done, there was just talk today at the meeting where we would possibly need a \$5,000.00 piece of steel and I said well we tried to work out today that we'd use wood for the framing part of it and not do the steel, so I mean we're not trying to go over cost but like I say, once I don't have any money I can't authorize any more.

Mr. Tobergte – My only thing is, the builder had all the drawings, everything was thought out. I don't understand why all of a sudden now, oh we might have a \$5,000.00 piece of steel. Why wasn't that bought up before?

Mr. Myers – There has never been nor will there ever be a building built except really small ones according to plan. It just doesn't function that way. Construction is half art, half science. It just doesn't work that way. You won't get details to that level, ever. Never has been, never will be.

Mr. Culbertson – A question for Paul, are you comfortable moving this \$250,000.00 out of the Safety Center bond?

Mr. Myers – Yes. I think we have plenty of time to move it back. We have months between those two projects being completed. I'm sure if there's additional funds that would be left in Service we would have plenty of time to move it back. Yes, I feel comfortable doing it.

Ms. Hausfeld – What happens if you use the whole \$250,000.00 and there is no money to move back and the Safety Center runs short? My opinion is when we run out for these bonds there should have been enough in each bond to where you don't have to rob Peter to pay Paul. And I'm not comfortable with taking money out of one project to put into another project for one. For two, if that ground was contaminated then we should have been told then and there and the approximate overrun instead of waiting until the last minute and the only reason we're trying to push this through right now is well we're not off for a month, we're off for two weeks. The other thing I had is last week, Phil, you told us that Paul told you that it was running on target so what happened in the short amount of time that now we need an extra, I mean, you said on the phone the other day when you called us

\$70,000.00 and then you're asking for \$250,000.00, I'm just not comfortable giving you that amount of money. Those are a few questions that I have.

Mr. Stegman – Like I said, Patty, the \$70,000.00 is to clear everything to complete the project today, if it was done today. That would be done, okay. If we get in there and there is something else that comes up, I don't predict these things. I mean when you go out and project a project, you try to get the best figures you can. We didn't pull these numbers out, we have to rely on certain structural engineers, contractors and everything to give us a number of what they feel they can give us to build a building. There's no true science to hit it right on the exact dollar. I think \$70,000.00 over is a tremendously good number seeing that we spent \$400,000.00 on soil that nobody would ever be able to see. This is not contaminated as much as it is as much debris in the ground from Nu-Maid or we don't know where it came from but there was so much debris. It could have been there before Nu-Maid was built. Nobody knows where this site was sitting. If you look at the aerials, all it is is a parking lot beside where our building is as contaminated stuff is just their parking lot. It wasn't the building. So where did all this debris comes from, I don't know. But for \$70,000.00 over and we lost \$400,000.00 of it in soils, I think it's pretty darn good for a projection of building the building without being cost overrun. All I'm asking for tonight, and I can't even give you that true dollar, I wish I could say okay I only need \$50,000.00 and I'm going to be good. But if it goes over that I have to call a special meeting, get everybody back here because I'm not going to offer any more POs, especially if it's going to be on me to pay for it. I don't want to own any part of that Safety Center out of my pay check. All I'm asking for is to cover what it's going to cost to finish this project. It's not going to cost \$250,000.00, it's a safety net, so in case something does happen, in two weeks we can complete this project. We have \$1.8 million for our Service Dept. from ODOT. We had to move, they're tearing it down. I had to get out of the building. I have to get this job completed. I can't spell it out any more than that and I'm asking for it to be passed tonight because I'm not going to authorize it, we're going to shut the project down. Because I'm not going to have it come out of my pay check.

Mr. Tobergte – Phil, the \$70,000.00 does that include any compressors or anything else we have to buy? When we move into there, I'm assuming some of the stuff will be moved down, some equipment we will have to move.

Mr. Stegman – Everything that we have we're moving. The only thing that is in question is the lift at the garage that we target at \$5,000.00 and we've got enough in our equipment line item that was budgeted for us to pay for out of our village budget for the \$5,000.00 lift. Generators and everything are going down to the garage. We're not buying new generators or air compressors for the garage. We're just moving that along with all the other equipment at their expense for our moving.

Mr. Asbach – I understand everyone's concerns but when you're three fourths into a project, I don't think now is the time to balk. We've got to be out of ours at a certain time. Basically, you're wasting money at this point if you don't authorize Phil to do this. As I say, we've committed to ODOT and there may be an extension that I'm unaware of but I don't see how you can get three fourths of the way into a building and then all of a sudden say no we can't do anymore with it when we might have to be out of there by a certain date and have to move everything down there. Nobody likes to do it, but like Phil said for \$400,000.00

we had to worry about with the ground to be \$70,000.00 over I don't think it's a bad deal either. We're too far into it at this point.

Mrs. Bedinghaus – Paul I just had one question. For the Safety Center dollar wise are we running under or are we over?

Mr. Myers – We're close to where we should be but it is a little bit under.

Ms. Hausfeld – But there again you can't foresee any problems later on that might....my thing is, and I wasn't on Council when you guys went out for these bonds so I don't really know how you guys came up with the dollar amount for the bonds but it should have been figures with, you know, a little bit of a cushion to where in case something happened it would be okay. I just don't understand why it's right to the dollar and now we're over budgeted for one project and what happens if you come over budget for the Safety Center. Where are we going to get that money from? And I heard, rumors have it, I heard Streetscape well there when Streetscape runs over budget where are you going to come with that money? It's all trickling down hill and I just think we have to watch the money a little bit better that what we're doing and I just have very much concerns on this particular and Phil knows this, I told Phil this the other day when he called me. But I have concerns on voting for this.

Mr. Tobergte – Paul can you define a little. You said you're a little under. Can you define what that means, a little under.

Mr. Myers – We're a couple hundred thousand under I'd say right now.

Mr. Tobergte – That's with the \$250,000.00 or without.

Mr. Myers – Without. So with that out then we're about where we should be if you count that as an expense.

The motion to suspend passed 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mr. Culbertson to adopt Ordinance No. 33, 2014 as read. Motion passed 5-1. Ms. Hausfeld voted no.

.OLD BUSINESS

Motion by Mr. Tobergte, seconded by Mr. Kalb to adopt the budget announced by Mrs. Brickweg today. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Asbach – With Mr. Stegman's remarks tonight I guess Bank Ave. and behind the Shopping Center felt left out that their streets weren't being torn up so that should be about every street in town now that's being worked on.

Mr. Stegman – Just to add to that, I don't think that they left it out. They thought it was in Cincinnati because I just got the call the day before the meeting and realized that Bank Ave., Harvey and Andalus was in St. Bernard because it was tied to Kessler and Wuest. So Kessler and Wuest was also part of the package with Bank, Harvey and Andalus. Yes I think this is last of all the streets in St. Bernard.

Mr. Tobergte – Valerie you talked about the fire hydrants. Any idea of costs?

Ms. VanValkenburg – I sure don't have the total cost for you. At this point there are only two that need replacing. There are four others that can be repaired. The one has to be totally replaced and will cost about three thousand dollars. There's two of them I'm thinking can be fixed. The others, it should come in under \$10,000.00 from what I got from Chief Moeller. I don't have an exact figure but the gentleman that's coming in to help train our firefighters on how to do basic repairs will actually be doing some of that work while he's training them. This training is free from him so that's why I'm not quite sure how that's going to shape out cost wise but that's going to help keep the cost of that down because he's doing it as part of the training.

Mrs. Brickweg – You only have \$4,816.27 in that line item. Only \$5,000.00 was budgeted at the end of the year so obviously you don't have enough money in that line item.

Ms. VanValkenburg – From what Chief Moeller said it looks like we're going to need some additional appropriation of \$3,000.00 on top of what is currently in the line item so we'll need to put that together.

Mr. Tobergte – Also, Phil you talked about Heger and Chalet coming in \$57,000.00 less? Is that money that we get back that we're going to have to spend?

Mr. Stegman – No it's like I say, you go out for a project, you call it 1.2, after the completion of the job it's \$57,000.00 less than what we projected so it's nothing that we paid up front where we get money back. It was in my line item, it was encumbered from last year so it's not something that can be moved to another line item this year. It was encumbered last year. It's not really calculated in the bottom line even though the bottom line could be spent if we spent it this year but it was encumbered out of last year so it's not money that we can say take the \$57,000.00 and move that around.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Hausfeld – The rain that we've been having and I just would like and Phil I don't know if it's you or if it's Paul or Walt, I've had complaints from people that first of all some of the electrical stuff is not hooked up properly but since it's been raining it's actually raining in on employees and stuff like that so it sounds like it's an issue that needs to be addressed and I don't know if you can just make a note of it to go down and see them. Apparently some of the employees have told me that it's bad, like they literally get wet when it's raining by the building. Some of the electrical is not hooked up so they're afraid of a fire hazard. But I didn't know exactly who would do it so I just thought I mention it.

Mr. Stegman – Paul is the one who would deal with that.

Ms. Hausfeld – It kind of sounds like it could be him, it could be fire, it could be a couple of different departments.

AUDIENCE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

None.

Motion by Mr. Asbach, seconded by Mrs. Schildmeyer to excuse the absent member. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Asbach – Due to Council being in recess for the rest of July the next COW meeting will be Thursday, July 24th at 7:00pm.

Motion by Mr. Tobergte, seconded by Mr. Asbach to adjourn. Motion passed 6-0.