

The Executive Committee, Village of Golf Manor

Minutes of the Regular Committee Meeting: July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Mrs. Faulk (Committee Chair)

Mr. Doering (Committee Member/Minutes)

Ms. Moscovitz (Committee Member)

The Committee chair Donna Faulk brought the meeting to order.

Motion was made by Mr. Doering to approve minutes as corrected from the meetings held on:

- 6-10-2013, Regular Meeting
- 6-24-2013, Special Meeting

Mrs. Faulk seconded and both members approved.

Rumpke bill was revisited and restated that GCWW did not update their billing rates thus creating the shortage to the village.

\$39,000 appx. in the rears is now apparent since 2008. Fault is unknown; if this was due to oversight or contract wording. Each household will owe appx. \$25.00 per household.

The suggestion from Mrs. Faulk, after meeting with Mr. Creager, is to add a minimum of about \$0.50 to the billings and to build back up the fund over the course of several years/possible duration of the new contract.

Mr. Doering added that both he and the Clerk-Treasurer have made mention of this issue for over 18 months now. Mr. Doering stated that this debt has been an issue ignored by the administration and Mayor since it was originally brought up. Water Works owes us nothing due to the Village's error in not requesting an update in billing in 2008 as well as the Mayor for ignoring the issue.

The \$40,000.00 missing from this oversight would have been more than what was needed for employees to have raises or bonuses. Mr. Doering suggests finance look into what this lack of \$40K is going to do to current and future budgets. This is a loss is it not? We cannot pursue legally due to costs.

Mrs. Faulk mentions that the residents will not be impacted if we increase the bills for the next few years. Mr. Doering is disagrees but also suggested tracking of the \$40,000.00 rearing.

There is nothing in the information that suggests the village did anything wrong on paper but never contacted GCWW to increase billing. He fears adding a new "fee" could impact the contract, cost of the waste contract, or taxpayers. Did finance consider this?

We must consider the only change is to make the billing increases automatic with GCWW. Rearages went away as they were supposed to. The system we had in place did work. It was a solid contract.

Mrs. Faulk further explained the past meeting discussions to Mrs. Chaney (member of Finance Committee) who was in the audience.

Mr. Doering added the record should state the drivers do in fact, pick up waste even if the addresses are on the route sheet. Mr. Doering stated this is hurting the taxpayers who are paying the bill accordingly.

Mr. Doering reminded the committee as in the minutes that Rumpke confirmed that the waste of all properties is getting picked up.

The committee moved on and proceeded to go page by page and updated the wording based on the suggestions from Hamilton County Solid Waste District, Mr. Creager, and the committee. These included but were not limited to the following:

- Reports and content of those reports submitted to the village
- Minor spelling and vocabulary use
- Addition of recycling wheelers
- Ways of increasing recycling compliance (# of wheelers, size options, materials collected, etc.)
- Bags and use/non-use of bags for collection
- Removing plastic bags
- Village dumpster, street cans, building waste haulers/recycling containers
- Number of large clean-up day dumpsters increased to 4
- Cost of additional waste haulers and recycling haulers
- Emergency storm options for dumpsters, cardboard cans, portable restrooms, large scale recycling, etc.
- Ways to track the debt (\$40K) as the debt is paid off (by our administration, by GCWW, council suggestions?)
- Updates to number of single family homes, apartment buildings, etc to make amounts more accurate for new contract
- CFC and Freon certification sticker procedures
- Non-collected v. collected materials v. recycled materials
- Shredding abilities, tire collections, TV/monitor procedures

Mrs. Faulk explained how the current (red open-top) recycling bins are contributing to the Village's litter problems, however in the past the Mayor has stated the bins did not contribute to the litter problem.

Mrs. Faulk suggested quarterly increases in the billing for GCWW.

Ms. Moscovitz questioned efficiency of yard waste collection abilities and cost-benefit of collecting by waste hauler. Committee feels village will lose money by collecting yard waste items "in-house."

Mr. Doering suggested chipping be done by maintenance dept but he stated that this is opposed by administration due to resources. This could save money and will generate mulch product to use in park, plantings, beautification, etc.

Mrs. Faulk questioned audience about any additional contract contents. Mr. Hirth (Finance Committee member in audience) agreed that ALL trash needs to be collected regardless, it becomes an unsightly eyesore.

Mr. Doering explained the need for increased enforcement of our in-place trash requirements and ordinances. Are we issuing warnings?

Mrs. Faulk suggested additional communications, checks, and balances to ensure timely trash pick-ups. Mr. Doering suggested again enforcement from GMPD from a friendly knock, to warning, to citations if needed. Mrs. Faulk added that rules are often ignored by residents. Mr. Doering explained the need for the current administration to take steps to ensure enforcement by police dept via ex: door hangars.

Ms. Moscovitz explained the strict policy of City of Cincinnati and how they enforce their policy.

Committee then discussed how residents acquire additional wheelers. Cost of additional wheelers?

Mr. Doering made a motion to revisit contract after Mrs. Faulk discussed with Service Director and Mr. Butler, seconded by Ms. Moscovitz, all members approved.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Doering, seconded by Ms. Moscovitz, all members approved.