

Fairness In Taxes

Meeting Minutes 2-5-16

Board Attendance: Bill Hartranft, Michael Hinchman, Don Kerns & Jim Tweed

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by Michael Hinchman at 3:00 P.M.

Guest Speaker – John Murphy, Fireman’s Union President

- Guest speakers introduced by Michael Hinchman
- 1st Speaker – John Murphy, President of the Fireman’s Union. John has been president for 14 years.
- Status of the 29th Street firehouse – no remediation has been done since Sandy.
- A major decision needed to be made regarding all three firehouses.
- 29th Street was awarded \$500k to remediate. City paid \$8k to house the fireman, then rented a trailer at a cost of \$1,700 per month for the last 33 months totaling \$56k. Additional months in 2016 brings total to \$63K so far.
- Over \$100k spent with Czar Engineering for plans to rebuild the firehouse. No mention of this was in the capital plan.
- There was additional discussion for about 1 hour on Fire Departments issues, off the record.

Capital Plan

- There was talk of building a new Police Station. Evaluation of the current station shows it needs new HVAC and new windows. Why rebuild?
- Where is the Baker report?

Miscellaneous

- Need articles for a newsletter which needs to go out very soon.
- Need to work on Ads.
- Need update on Flooding.

Adjourned 4:45 P.M.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 4, 2016

Minutes taken by:

Bill Hartranft, Treasurer

Respectfully submitted by:

Sheila Hartranft, Secretary