



CITY OF TWINSBURG, OHIO

Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

6:00 PM

Meeting Called to Order: Mr. Barr called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

- 1. Roll Call:** Mr. Barr, Mr. Furey, Mr. Bellan, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Post, Mr. Deeds
Also in attendance: Ms. Conway-Finance Director, Mr. Vazzana-Law Director, and Mayor Scaffide,
- 2. Audience Participation:** None
- 3. Approval of April 25, 2023 Finance Committee Minutes:** Mr. Barr motioned to approve the 04/25/2023 meeting minutes presented. Mr. Bellan seconded the Motion. Minutes were approved unanimously as submitted.
- 4. Income Tax Collection Update: Ms. Conway presented.**
 - Mr. Furey asked for a report listing the top 10 employers in Twinsburg.
 - Mr. Post suggested a new flier for residents that are working from home.
- 5. RITA Items: Ms. Conway presented**
 - The City currently participates in the Non-Filer Program offered by RITA
 - There are two options available and the City participates in both:
 - Non-Filer Letter—mailed to any non-filing person reminding them of their responsibility to file the municipal income taxes
 - Administrative Subpoena—administrative subpoenas are sent for anyone who does not respond from the non-filer letter; non-filer is subpoenaed to present their documentation to RITA representatives
 - Regional Council of Governments meeting were held on June 14 (Worthington) and June 15 (Brecksville) to vote on any changes to the bylaws and election of officers
 - There was one item for vote: allowing for virtual meeting participation which failed because a majority of entities were not present
- 6. Legislative Items at the State level with Municipal Impact: Ms. Conway presented.**

HB 33—State Operating Budget (passed by House and Senate)

 - Notable item: will increase the competitive bidding limit threshold to \$75,000 for municipalities with a 3% annual increase

HB 105—as introduced would reduce the amount a municipality can charge for late municipal income tax filings

- Current language is capped at a one-time \$25 penalty rather than up to \$150 (\$25 per month for up on 6 months)
- The penalty would be waived for those who fail to file the first time
- Additionally, the bill prohibits tax administrators from sending non-filing notices to taxpayers before the federal extension deadline of a tax year and may be liable for reimbursement of reasonable costs that the taxpayer incurs to respond

HB 121—Modification of Municipal Tax Apportionment Formula—on fourth reading in the House Ways and Means Committee

- Allows businesses with remote workers to use a modified municipal tax apportionment formula for reporting municipal net profits.
- This bill would allow businesses to continue apportioning municipal net profit taxes to where their business is located, or, they can elect to apportion to each municipality where their remote workers live.

HB 126—Expansion of municipal income tax exemption for military pay—on first reading in the House Ways and Means Committee

- Current law allows for an exemption of military pay for individuals in the “armed services.”
- As amended would expand it to individuals in “uniformed service”

HB 166—Subject foreign temporary workers to municipal income taxes and modify the withholding rules for those workers

- On 3rd reading with the House Ways and Means Committee

Sub HB 93—Pre-empting municipalities from recovering unpaid utility charges

- This would limit the municipalities ability to recover unpaid utility (sewer) charges from non-owner occupied properties
- On 4th hearing in the House State and Local Government Committee
 - Discussion about possible legislation requiring sewer bills to be held in the property owner’s name. Ms. Conway and Mr. Vazzana will look into this suggestion.

7. New Reports: Ms. Conway will be creating a quarterly investment report to be presented to the Finance Committee.

8. Comments / Questions: None Presented.

9. Miscellaneous:

- Ms. Conway - Budget documents are ready to go and will be sent out to the departments soon.
- Mr. Furey asked about the increase in the General Fund of around \$2M. Is it for items that have not been purchased yet? Ms. Conway confirmed that is what it is for.

10. Next Meeting Date: August 22, 2023 at 6:00PM

11. Adjournment: Mr. Barr adjourned meeting at 6:27PM.