

**BOROUGH OF LANSDALE
ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2021**

Members Present:

Denton Burnell	Borough Council President
Carrie Hawkins-Charlton	Borough Council Member
Leon Angelichio	Committee Chairman
Garry Herbert	Mayor
John Ernst	Borough Manager
John Crawford	Interim Finance Director
Brian McGowan	Assistant Finance Director

Mr. Angelichio called the meeting of the Administration and Finance Committee to order at 6:15pm.

1. Action of Minutes Previous Meetings

Motion Mr. Burnell, second Ms. Hawkins-Charlton to approve minutes of January 6th, 2021 Administration and Finance Committee Meeting. Motion carries 3 to 0.

2. Financial Reports Year to Date

Mr. Ernst- We have year-end financial reports and statement thru the end of the year.
This is a 144 pages.

Mr. Crawford- thought at year end seeing every detail. The first few pages are a summary report for each Fund. Last year, that was an odd year, rev's down and expenses down and the expenses were down more. The Borough spent less than on salaries.

In the General Fund, the revenues come in under \$200k to budget and the expenses come in at \$600k under budget. This is even after the transfers.

We are higher than the previous year in EIT at \$170k over budget which is really good.
We are in a down year for most part and apartment leases are up \$70k

Mr. Angelichio- As far as transfer taxes, do we know the # of properties or value? We could have massive valuation transfer. We can do an analysis in change of properties that changed hands.

Mr. Crawford- That is a good question. We could have 1 very large transfer and would need to see that detail.

Mr. Burnell- I am so glad that you are here and helping us. Roughly \$300k back to the General Fund, but we deferred some expenditures and come back and bite us.

Mr. Ernst- There are a couple of things we did do, but we also accelerated. It is my understanding we have not done any of the transfers yet. My guess is we will be doing in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Crawford- The General Fund did well and real estate taxes are up \$119k.

Mr. Angelichio- John Crawford thank you and I can dive deeper into the 144 pages. I can't thank you enough and I double what Denton said and thank you again.

Mr. Crawford- I got pretty good at retirement in recent years.

Ms. Hawkins-Charlton- I just want to take a look at the report.

3. Committee Business Items

1. 2021 Recycling Grant

Mr. Ernst- This is our typical annual contract w/ FX Browne to approve and nothing out of the ordinary, but I will check into.

Mr. Burnell- I think that is the same answer that we get.

Mr. Angelichio- I get the same thing with plowing in Public Works and wonder that and don't want to say that we are stuck. We could maybe get into more and maybe make more Competitive.

Mr. Ernst- It is about \$6,500.

Mr. Burnell- It is about \$6,300.

Mr. Ernst- There is a report that gives breakdown. I have not seen the report, but I will look into. This is how we get our reimbursement allocation.

Mr. Angelichio- It looks like we need a motion

Motion Mr. Burnell, I recommend for a contract renewal with FX Browne. Second Ms. Hawkins- Charlton. Motion carries 3-0.

2. Assessment Appeals

(Due to a computer technical issue during the meeting unable to record minutes.)

4. Old Business Items

1. Energy Consultant Proposal

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5. New Business Items

1. Resolution to support moratorium no evictions or foreclosures during pandemic

(Due to a computer technical issue during the meeting unable to record minutes.)

Motion Ms. Hawkins-Charlton to support resolution for no evictions or foreclosures.

Second Mr. Burnell. Motion carries 3 to 0.

6. Public Comment

Nancy(resident)- Going back the assessment appeal, you will need to explain to me. The School District and County approved and why are hands tied and why go along with them?

Mr. Angelichio- There is a considerable cost and when both the others don't go along you are the one at a disadvantage. We could and would spend more money. Not saying that is right or perfect.

Mr. Ernst- Both the School District and County have the most skin in the game and go after larger 1st. We are last because we have the least amount to turn over.

Nancy(resident)- It is supposed me to go back 6 years. It takes it out of the Borough budget.

Mr. Angelichio- When did the property change hands?

Mr. Ernst- About 6 years.

Mr. Burnell- The current owner is St. Mary's for the Blind and the exact purchase was October 2014. The property owner filed and assessment in July 2015 and did then and waited 6 years until get to today.

Nancy- I want to know what is going on between my contractor and the Borough, but want to talk about this off record.

Mr. Ernst- Reach out to me.

Nancy- Well, I think some was resolved last week and it started November.

Mr. Herbert- An update on the mail delivery is that they are putting chains on their vehicles.

Mr. Angelichio- Our carrier can't take route thru potholes with the snow. It is a lot and I am waiting on documentation.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05.