



FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

March 19, 2012

To: Mayor and City Council Members
From: John Szerlag, City Manger 
Subject: City Council Member Questions and Responses

I have discussed questions advanced by Mayor and Council with Staff, and responses are attached. Thank you for asking questions in advance of the meeting.

Question #1

From: Dave Henderson
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 5:23 PM

I cut and pasted this from the Oak Tac bylaws.

Article V

Dues, Fees and Other Charges

Section 1. Dues, fees and other charges. There shall be no dues, fees or other charges assessed to any member unless the Board, after notice to all Members, votes by a 2/3 majority to institute such dues, fees or other charges.

What I didn't see is an indication that if there were fees or dues instituted that it would have to come back to city council for approval. Would this be the case? If so, where is that spelled out, I didn't see that anywhere. A few hundred a year is a no brainer, several thousand might need a look.

Response:

From: Lori G Bluhm
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 3:53 PM
Subject: RE: Oak Tac agreement

The Oak TAC Agreement is the item that is proposed to be approved tonight. The by-laws are labeled as "sample" and will be worked out if all communities approve the agreement by the April 1, 2012 deadline.

The language in the bylaws is there for protection to make sure that there are no charges that are not approved of in advance. Even if the sample by laws were approved, the City's Charter would preclude a blank check.

Question #2

From: Janice Daniels

Date: March 18, 2012 5:39:44 PM EDT

The Proclamation for Shields might need a few corrections as follows:

- 1) on-and off-premise might be on-and-off premise or simply on and off-premise
- 2) the Mayor and City Council of Troy "does" should be the Mayor and City Council do
- 3) The Mayor and City Council, City Management joins should be The Mayor, City Council and City Management join

In Recital for Item I-4

under WHEREAS number six - last sentence: tactical training through and organization should that be through AN organization?

Would it be possible to include another items (c) in Department Reports that states: Mayor Daniels attended the MML Elected Official Academy in Frankenmuth, Michigan but has waived the opportunity to be reimbursed for expenses.

Response:

From: Beth Tashnick

Thank you Mayor Daniels, the grammar changes you requested have been made regarding the proclamation for Shield's.

Regarding Item I-4, the agreement will have to be changed by the County, and we will be sure to notify them regarding the grammatical error.

Past practice indicates that your MML attendance would be an item you would mention during Council Comments. If you have a report prepared, you can certainly distribute it to be noted and filed at that time as well.

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