

INCOME TAX BOARD

City of Findlay
February 1, 2017

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Don Rasmussen, Susan Hite, Jim Staschiak II, Ron Monday.

Staff Present: Andrew Thomas and Kathy Launder.

Guests Present: Holly Frische.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of the November 2, 2016, meeting as presented, by Staschiak, second by Monday. Motion passed 3-0. Susan Hite abstained.

NEW BUSINESS

2017 Year-To-Date Collections: Thomas reported that he has a concern with the Employer Withholding collections for 2016 year-to-date collections. Approximately 500 employers went from quarterly withholding to monthly withholding. By January 2017 these collections should have been received. The state is experiencing the same issue. Not sure if January will recover. Withholding is up 2.22% in January. Collections are up 10.05% overall, partly due to a one time occurrence in business collections of approximately \$175,000 increasing this line 262.06%.

Collections, Estimates, Delinquencies: Thomas stated that these numbers remain the same.

Legal Actions in Process and Contemplated: Rasmussen stated that he has received no notice of any cases that have closed. There are over 1,000 cases pending.

Centralized Collections: Rasmussen stated that with the State's proposed Centralized Collections only applies to business collections. Municipalities will still have to collect Employer Withholding and Individuals collections.

Staschiak mentioned that the state will be collecting about one third of the income taxes, while municipalities will have to collect the remaining two thirds which will drive up their costs. This will give the appearance that the state can collect all income taxes cheaper.

Motion that the Income Tax Board strongly suggest that City Council take a position in opposition of Governor Kasich's proposal in his executive budget for Centralized Collection, by Staschiak, second by Monday. Motion passed 4-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Meeting: Meeting schedule for 2017: May 3, August 2, and November 1. All meetings will be held at 1:00pm in the third floor conference room of the Municipal Building.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy K. Launder
City Clerk