

Meeting Minutes
Finance Committee
August 14, 2006, 7:01 P.M.
City Water Department, 300 Bliss Ave.

PRESENT: Alderpersons Molski, Walther, Moore, Stroik and Hanson
ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Wescott; C/T Schlice; Directors Euclide, Gardner, Schrader, Halverson; Assessor Kuehn; Police Chief Morris; Capt. Ruder; Detective Kussow; Deputy Chief Kujawa; Ald. Sevenich, Wiza, Barber, Robinson, Trzebiatowski, Gene Kemmeter
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1. ASSESSOR'S REPORT.

Motion made by Ald. Stroik, seconded by Ald. Moore to accept the report of the Assessor and place it on file.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

2. 1ST AND 2ND QUARTER ROOM TAX REPORTS.

Motion made by Ald. Walther, seconded by Ald. Molski to approve the 1st and 2nd quarter room tax reports and place them on file.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

3. ROOM TAX ALLOCATION REQUEST - MOSES CREEK DEVELOPMENT.

Director Schrader stated that in the 2000-2005 room tax allocation plan, \$40,000 was reserved to purchase property for Green Circle. The owners of the Moses Creek property decided to give seven acres to the City, so he would like to reallocate the \$40,000 to develop the land the City was given. They would like to put a bridge over Moses Creek, put up some signage, put in a boardwalk, put in a meander in Moses Creek, and work with Ron Zimmerman to establish some meadows on the north half of Schmeeckle Reserve.

Motion made by Ald. Molski, seconded by Ald. Hanson to approve the allocation of room tax funds for the Moses Creek Development.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

4. CAPITAL PROJECT BLUEPRINT UPDATE.

C/T Schlice stated this is a request for Council to go back and look at things that are really necessary in their district that they feel need to be done within the next five to fifteen years. He reminded the committee that we are under budget restraints. There are things that we continue to try to do to keep our infrastructure up and we will get together with Council once it is priced out and start prioritizing for the next five to fifteen years.

Mayor Wescott stated it shows the value of strategic planning. When we sat down to approve this back in August 2001 we made commitments to 2002-2005 and 2006-2010 and now we can go back and look at what we have been able to accomplish. It is an impressive record and what we are asking now is to start reviewing projects that are in the 2006-2010 and 2011 to future to see if there is still a relevancy in the districts that was identified back in 2001. If there are projects, we can plug them in, cost them out and continue to engage in long term solid financial planning for the City.

Ald. Molski stated that this is the alderpersons opportunity to review problems in their wards and bring them to the attention of John and the Mayor.

C/T Schlice stated that we have been able to do a lot of the projects and still keep a stable tax rate.

Ald. Sevenich asked how much time they have to add to review the blueprint.

C/T Schlice replied that by the end of November then we would give the staff another ninety (90) days to go through and cost everything out and then we would have committee meetings to look at the plan.

5. FUNDING REQUEST (BPW) SEWER STUDY.

C/T Schlice stated this was just approved by the Board of Public Works and he recommends that we include it in a borrowing that we are going to be getting the rates for on Monday, so we will have a Special Finance before Council to review the bids.

Motion made by Ald. Stroik, seconded by Ald. Molski to approve the funding request for the sewer study.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

6. CONSIDERATION OF CLAIM - MARC GRUBER.

C/T Schlice stated that Sentry recommends that we deny the claim.

Motion made by Ald. Moore, seconded by Ald. Stroik to deny the consideration of claim by Marc Gruber.

Ald. Stroik questioned if that means they do not have insurance, or if it just means that it is put back onto their personal insurance.

C/T Schlice stated that what Sentry states is that in the agreement said it is the schools responsibility to cover it.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

7. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.

Motion made by Ald. Molski, seconded by Ald. Stroik to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$655,137.59.

The claims were discussed.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried.

Adjournment at 7:14 P.M.

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