FINANCE COMMITTEE   **MARCH 23, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Ald. Longo at 6:25 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Longo, Ald. Toellner, Ald. Hohmann

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Redeker, Darlene Smith, Lois Krueger, Ald. Boelk, Ald. Neumann, Ald. Schmidt, Bobby Pyke, Ed Zagorski, John Muir, Dianne Slater, Jayne Gohr, Phil Gohr, Patrick O'Toole, Lourdeen Robson, Lee Zarnott, Pat Antony, Randy Clark, Ben Brown

Item #2 – Approve the Minutes of the February 23, 2015, meeting.

Motion by Ald. Hohmann, second by Ald. Toellner to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2015, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 – Citizen Comments.

Jayne Gohr, 280 N. Mountin Dr., Mayville spoke on the pending school referendum. She stated that a "no" vote, by law, would result in the tax levy dropping $165, but an additional raise in the tax levy of $212 to $165 per $150,000 home valuation. A "yes" vote can mean a total loss of up to $330 ($165 + $165) of your spendable dollars per year for 20 years.

Patrick O'Toole, W2440 Rock Rd., Iron Ridge spoke on the pending school referendum. He stated he came to the meeting to listen to Dr. Antony to present the school districts rational for increasing by 25% the Mayville school tax portion of the Dodge County tax bills. He read a few sentences from an article he read in the local newspaper regarding debt, borrowing, the type of burden we put on ourselves and the next generations, the need to live within our means and borrow only what is essential. We owe it to our next generation not to give them a bill that will limit their potential and freedom.

Phil Gohr, 280 N. Mountin Dr., Mayville spoke on the pending school referendum. He quoted an article which was titled "Do ends justify the means?" Those who proffer the government policy seem to think all they need to do is identify the consequences as the greater good and the discussion is over. The proponent of the measure may think the objector of the policy is more important than whatever those who are forced to pay must forego as a result. The proponent may be oblivious to the cost entirely as though there were none.

Item #4 – Discuss/Recommend the Sale of Leasing Rights to the Cell Phone Tower Located at 55 W. Slag Rd.

There are six different offers from four different companies ranging from $150,000 to $180,000. Mayor Bob Redeker recommended Boost Financial Telecom with an offer of $180,000 for a 99 year easement term with a 50/50 split on new tenants and a 50/50 split on successor lease. There was discussion regarding the length of the easement term and revenue. We have $165,000 in income remaining on our current lease. This is an opportunity to generate monthly income.

Motion by Ald. Hohmann, second by Ald. Longo to recommend to Common Council the sale of leasing rights to the cell phone tower located at 44 W. Slag Rd. to Boost Financial Telecom for $180,000 pending the City Attorney's review. Motion carried 2-1. Ald. Toellner voted no.

Item #5 – Presentation by School District on Pending School Referendum.

Randy Clark, RCI Engineering gave a presentation on the pending school referendum. He presented a different perspective on the referendum showing the impact the referendum will have on local industry. More space and work area is needed for FFA, Tech Ed and the STEM program (science, technology, engineering and math). 1/3 of students are going straight to the workforce. In the plan the music department will be moved to a new area to meet their needs. This move will create the space needed for Agriculture and Tech Ed. The infrastructure needs updating due to utilities cost, limited wiring, and the auditorium is not safe and sufficient for the programs in place. It is not just a building; it is the direction you want the economy of Mayville to follow. This starts with education. This referendum would help to change the current outlook and help Mayville's manufacturing base grow in the future.

<u>Item #6 – Treasurer's Report.</u>
    A.   Monthly Financial Report.
       Lois reported on the City's Revenues and Expenditures for the month of February. Revenues overall are at 38% and Expenditures are overall at 21%. All cash accounts are reconciled to February bank statements. Expenses still trending higher in February due to there being five full pay periods in two months. General government expenses are slightly under budget for the month. YTD overage due to annual insurance payments paid in January.
    B.   Discuss/Recommend Banking Policy.
       This is a request by the auditors. They recommended we have a written policy for disbursements and establishing our bank accounts. This is a draft policy for the finance to recommend to Common Council.
       Motion by Ald. Toellner, second by Ald. Hohmann to recommend the banking policy to Common Council. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Item #7 – Golf Club Report.</u>
The Golf Course is open. Carts are allowed on the front 9 holes; walk only on the back 9 holes because of water. Revenues are up $1,000 from last year, cost of sales even, expenses higher than last year. Our net income is within $1,500 where we were last year through the month of February.

<u>Item #8 – TAG Center Report.</u>
Registration starts this week for all April Fitness & Aquatic classes. Family night is Friday, March 27th. Crafts from 5:30-6:30 p.m., swimming from 6-8 p.m., and "free" Big Hero 6 movie starts at 6:45 p.m. in the gym. Concessions will be available to purchase. Easter break open swims are April 2nd, 3rd, and 6th from 1-3:30 p.m.
    A. Discuss/Recommend Bids on 14 acre parcel land lease adjacent to TAG Center for 2015.
Motion by Ald. Hohmann, second by Ald. Toellner to recommend Charles Wagner's bid of $130/acre for a total of $1,820.00. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Item #9 - Discuss/Recommend Bids on 51.6 acre parcel land lease in Industrial Park for 2015.</u>
Motion by Ald. Hohmann, second by Ald. Longo to recommend Rick Steger's bid of $130/acre for a total of $6,708.00. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Item #10 – Adjournment.</u>
Motion by Ald. Toellner, second by Ald. Longo to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Darlene Smith, City Clerk