

SPECIAL FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

OCTOBER 9, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Moede at 5:00 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Toellner, Ald. Sertich, Ald. Schaefer, Ald. Pasbrig, Ald. Redeker

Members Absent: Ald. Schmidt

Others Present: Mayor Moede, Deanna Boldrey, Kathie Wild, Don Neitzel, Mike Kurutz, Alixe Bielot, Chris MacNeill, Ben Brown, Lisa Schmitt, Dave Pieper, Christine Churchill, Katie Leb, Ryan Vossekuil

Item #2 – Continue the Discussion/Review/Recommendation of the Draft of the 2013 City Budget.

Ald. Sertich continued with the items from the parking lot from the previous meeting.

Ald. Sertich commented that the Library budget will be discussed on October 16, 2012.

The Police Department Stand-By Pay for dispatchers was then discussed, item 21-107.

Discussion of Stand-by Pay ensued. Police Chief, Chris MacNeill, commented that there were six instances year to date for stand-by pay. He noted that the purpose of the stand-by pay is that they give up other plans to be available locally. Chris continued that if a person is in jail the paperwork needs to be processed and completed for the district attorney prior to Monday morning. Stand-by pay is for compensation to stay local. They cannot make plans for travel when on call. Ald. Toellner questioned if other officers or if Chris could do the reports instead. Ald. Toellner questioned if there was double dipping with Holiday pay. Ald. Toellner commented that he feels it is not necessary as no other department receives stand-by pay. Chris commented that reports need to be done and filed right away. Ald. Sertich commented that if paperwork was not completed for the District Attorney's office; it could be thrown out or no prosecution. She continued that it is not a lot of fun to have a family member leave during a Holiday. Chris noted five or six instances where they have come in to get the paperwork in; one of the instances was during Audubon Days. Chris noted there are times that they have come in on own time and not charged the stand-by pay. Ald. Redeker questioned if the on call was explained to them when they were first hired. Motion by Ald. Sertich, second by Ald. Pasbrig to leave in the Stand-by Pay for the dispatchers. Motion carried 3-2; Ald. Sertich, Ald. Schaefer, and Ald. Pasbrig voted yes to leave Stand-by Pay in; Ald. Redeker and Ald. Toellner voted no. No change on the item.

The Police Department Compensation Hours was then discussed, item 21-207. The spreadsheet of overtime and comp time was then noted. Kathie Wild commented that the comp time that is not taken is paid out at the end of the year. Chris noted that the officer that was out on medical leave is back to work. No change on the item.

Police Department Educational detail was then discussed, item 21-206. The dollar amount is \$9,600. Chris reported the request is the same as the request for the last couple of years. Ald. Sertich noted the line item for the grant training. Ald. Sertich questioned if training was offered to other officers or if other officers were interested. It was noted that the dispatchers go to a lot of free training. Also noted was that each officer needs to attend 24 hours of in service training per year. Officer Borchardt has special training for recertification every year such as instructor recertification. Other specific training such as Drug recertification, SWAT, or Sniper School was mentioned. Chris noted interrogation training. Chris noted some officers have no interest at all in additional training. Certifications are required every year. It could be heavier one year more than another. It was noted that the education is to encourage them to better themselves.

The education reimbursement was noted. Chris noted that it might be something to discuss with the labor attorney. Chris noted we encourage officers to better themselves and we have an officer that has done that. Ald. Sertich apologized to Ryan Vossekuil. She thought the item could go in closed session. She commented that this has to do with schooling and extensive schooling on degree levels. Do we continue or can we offer education more evenly divided among other employees.

Ald. Sertich continued that a bachelors degree can run upwards of \$17,000 and a masters degree can run up to \$16,000 roughly. Last year the Council did approve the schooling on the reimbursement to be revisited this year. She questioned if we can afford to continue. She noted that we have not reached the goals in the budget and we have not met the goals yet. Mayor noted that instead of training two officers we should give all the opportunity. Ald. Sertich noted the Chief is requesting \$3,600 and another for reimbursement of \$2,000, and other department training for \$4,000. Total is \$9,600 in education on that line item. We need cost savings and instead of only training two give all the opportunity. Other areas have requested but are not given the opportunity for other departments. This will cover three of Chris's classes, then two more. For Vossekuil, when he started with Mayville according to the contract he acquired his bachelor's degree and then master's degree. It was noted that Chris did not go over his training budget. It was noted that Sergeant Ryan Vossekuil, received his bachelor's in 2007 and masters in 2009. Kathie Wild reviewed the breakdown of the information submitted. The requested \$2,000 will go toward his master's degree that he received in 2009. Chris noted that not every officer will take training. Chris noted he has not went over his training budget. Chris noted he was waiting for his grade before submitting for reimbursement.

Ald. Redeker commented that this boils down to, is it the responsibility for the Mayville Taxpayers to pay for their education. Is it proper for a DPW to become a plumber? He noted that we have to draw some lines. He also commented what if the ladies in the front office may want to continue their education. Ald. Toellner commented that last year he wanted it lower. Ald. Schaefer commented that he was fine. The Mayor commented that a lot of people pay their own way. There was consensus to continue the discussion at the next budget meeting.

The Police Department Printing, item 21-311 was then discussed. The Mayor wants the item to remain at \$250, the Chief of Police is requesting \$400. It was noted that the summary was printed and bound out of house. Chris noted that the color ink alone would go over that amount. Consensus of the Council was to leave the item at \$250, and submit black and white reports. No Change on the item.

The Police Department Clothing & Uniform, item 21-348 was then discussed. Ald. Redeker questioned if officers have to return items when finished. Chris noted that he would have to return the gun. They are responsible for clothing. Vests are replaced every three years and are made to fit the officer. No change on the item.

The K-9 Fund was then discussed. The fund will be renamed to Police Trust Fund. There will not be a change to the dollar amount. The K-9 dances have been Youth Dances.

Animal Control was then discussed. Dodge County Humane Society has not rolled out new contracts. The board has been revisiting their contracts. The item is post-poned.

The Ambulance EMS item Professional Services, item 317 was then discussed. Christine explained that this has to do with EMTs that need physicals and shots. She noted that Kathie and Ald. Sertich were checking into this item and if the City can re-coop this cost if the person should leave. No Change on the item.

The Ambulance EMS item Supplies Medical, item 383 was then discussed. The item increased by \$1,000. She noted the need for c-pac masks that are \$50 per mask. They have to purchase ten at a time. The bone drill needles will be expiring and they purchase five a time at \$100 a piece. No Change on the item.

The Ambulance EMS item Supplies Gas/Oil, item 386 was then discussed. Christine noted that she is comfortable with what is budgeted. Calculated at \$3.80 a gallon. No change on the item.

The TAG Center item Customer Acct – Wages Perm Reg was then discussed. Ald. Redeker questioned the \$36,500, where does the number come from. He continued that back in 2007 it was \$35,500. It was noted that the number has been understated and running over. Lisa Schmitt commented on the changes over the

years such as she is working up front for ½ a day. It was noted that this is a more realistic number. No change on the item.

The Transfer from the General Fund was then touched on. The item will come back to the next meeting.

The Parks Pool – Transfer to TAG was then touch on. The item will come back to the next meeting.

The Parks Supplies Gas/Oil, item 386 was then discussed. Motion by Ald. Pasbrig, Second by Ald. Schaefer, to change Parks Supplies gas/oil from \$7,000 to \$8,000. Motion carried 5-0.

The Public Works Wheel Tax item was then noted. Motion by Ald. Redeker, second by Ald. Toellner to Postpone the Wheel Tax to the next meeting. Motion carried 4-1; Ald. Pasbrig voted no. The Contracted Services was then discussed. No change on the item. The Host Fees were then noted. The item is postponed to the next meeting.

The Main Street Mayville and Chamber contribution amounts were discussed. The Mayor noted he would like both groups to receive \$6,500. Ald. Sertich commented to consider the costs to the City for the special events. Motion by Ald. Pasbrig, second by Ald. Schaefer to change the Main Street Mayville and Chamber amounts to \$6,500 each in 2013. Motion failed 3-2. Ald. Sertich, Toellner, and Redeker voted no. Ald. Pasbrig and Ald. Schaefer voted yes. No change on the item.

Motion by Ald. Redeker, second by Ald. Toellner for the Main Street Mayville and Chamber amounts to stay at \$6,000 in 2013. Motion carried 5-0.

The Senior Center Janitor item was then discussed. It was noted that the Senior Center is requesting the City to pay for the twelve months which is an additional \$700 of janitor costs instead of the Senior Center Board Fund 72 paying the additional \$700. Motion by Ald. Redeker to increase the Sr. Center janitorial amount by \$700. Motion died for lack of a second. No change on the item.

The Senior Center Carpeting item was then discussed. The Senior Center is requesting new carpeting. Ald. Redeker passed pictures of the stained carpeting. Ald. Sertich questioned if carpeting was the smart replacement. The noise levels was mention with the carpeting and also the safety concern was mentioned. They feel more comfortable safer with carpeting. Ald. Redeker continued that noise is an issue. The senior center is used approximately three times a week and rented out an average of two to three times a month. Discussion of the quotes for the carpeting ensued. Both quotes are from local businesses. The item will come back to the next meeting for further discussion.

The Property Tax and Landfill items were postponed to the next meeting.

Item #3 – Adjournment

Motion by Ald. Toellner, second by Ald. Redeker to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Deanna Boldrey, City Clerk