

Minutes
Finance and Policy Committee
Monday, September 14, 2020
6:00 p.m.
2nd meeting

Meeting Location: City Hall Upstairs Conference Room

Members: Chairman Michael Reynolds, Committee Members Carol King and Diane Kuzniar. Holly Abercrombie, Finance Director, Mark Putnam, HR Director, and Brandon Madden, City Administrator were also present.

1. Call to Order Chairman Michael Reynolds

2. Public Comment- None

3. Reading and Approval of Minutes

a. Finance Committee Meeting: August 3, 2020

Action: Councilwoman King made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilwoman Kuzniar seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

4. Reports or Communications from City Officers

a. Department Reports

City Administrator Brandon Madden
Budget Review

Finance Director Holly Abercrombie
Budget Review

Holly reported the new budget looks good and is in-line with last year's numbers.

HR Director Mark Putnam

Evaluations are being finished now to be ready to give merit raises in October. The City should be getting a rebate check from Southern Scripts soon. Chairman Reynolds mentioned health insurance renewal would be coming up soon. Mark said he was going to meet with Scott Ogburn about that.

5. Unfinished Business- None



6. New Business

Chairman Michael Reynolds

Action: Councilwoman King made a motion to go into executive session for the items listed below. Councilwoman Kuzniar seconded the motion.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

- a. Executive Session for the consideration of a potential contractual matter involving WH Platt as allowed by State Statute 30-4-70 (a) (2)
- b. Executive Session for the consideration of potential contractual and economic development matters as allowed by State Statute 30-4-70 (a)(2) and (a) (5)
- c. Possible action on items discussed in executive session

Chairman Reynolds called the meeting back to order. Councilwoman King reported no votes were taken and no action taken.

Action: Councilwoman King made a motion to forward the capital project item and operational item along with the suggesting funding sources to Council. Councilwoman Kuzniar seconded the motion.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

- d. Approval of FY2021 Grants

Staff has compiled a list of all of the grants that the City has applied for and/or will apply for this fiscal year. City Council approval of the grants is requested. Approval will allow the City to accept the funds once awarded without having to come back to City Council for approval on each grant. No funding is being requested, as all of the matching funds needed for the grants were included in the FY2021 Council approved budget.

Action: Councilwoman King made a motion forward this item to Council to approve any grant funding that may be awarded. Councilwoman Kuzniar seconded the motion.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

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7. Public Comment- None

8. Committee Concerns

Chairman Reynolds would like an item brought to committee regarding council wards. He is concerned that one area of town has too much participation on Council. He would like the process looked at and the Department of Justice contacted to ask them what we may do to change the system.

Chairman Reynolds asked for an item to be brought to the next Finance and Policy committee on Council compensation. He asked for information on whether the Council's pay is in line with other City Council's compensation.

Councilwoman Kuzniar said there are not a lot of people interested in running for election and the people from the neighborhood did not get together and decide to run to get a majority on Council. Chairman Reynolds said he was not implying that.

9. Adjourn- Chairman Reynolds adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk

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