

MAYER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES ó AUGUST 30, 2011

Call Work Session was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Chris Capaul

PRESENT: Council Members Lueth, Stieve-McPadden, Osborn, and Boder.

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Administrator Murphy, City Engineer Dave Martini.

OTHERS: Ivan Raconteur, and Jerry Hartmann.

#### FIELDSTONE LETTER OF CREDIT

Finance Committee had met with Mr. Hartmann in reference to a July 19 letter exercising the City's option to draw on the Letter of Credit for the Fieldstone II Addition. The reasoning for the draw was to complete the second lift of bituminous. The City's concern is that the curb continues to be damaged from snow plowing and soon the first lift will need to be repaired or replaced. He agreed that the street will just continue to deteriorate and additional funds will be needed to repair the street. Mr. Hartmann informed the Council that their intention is to complete the second lift by the end of September.

#### STREET PROJECTS 2012

City Engineer is requesting input from the City Council on whether a street project should be completed in 2012. The City has identified the west side of highway 25 which includes: 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Street, and Canary for reconstruction in the CIP. The survey work and feasibility study could be completed this fall which will assist in being able to bid the project in the spring of 2012. Council will do a walking tour of the streets at 6:00 PM before the September 12, 2011 Council Meeting.

#### BUDGET 2012

The Finance Committee met and made the following recommendations to the City Council on the 2012 budget:

1. The City not levy for the fire department lot. The City paid off the debt using general fund money to reimburse the general fund could be done at the time the fire station is built with bond funds.
2. The \$25,000 in the fire station for a new roof is removed from the budget. When the roof is replaced the City could do an intergovernmental loan from the City's EDA.
3. The fire department is asking for \$15,000 for the relief association. The City's required contribution is \$4,813 the City should fund only the required contribution.
4. The City Council considers budgeting for a \$.50 per hour raise for the employees. The cost would roughly be \$3,000.

The Finance Committee is recommending that the City Council levy the same amount of taxes as last year \$1,020,367.00.

Council examined the budget line by line and did not make any adjustments at this time. Council instructed staff to prepare a resolution with the \$1,020,367 levy amount for the next meeting.

#### FALL NEWSLETTER

Staff to prepare an explanation for the 2012 budget and to encourage residents to attend the TNT meeting if they have questions about their taxes.

#### EVENT AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Carl Melichar is requesting the use of the Community Center on November 15 and 16 for an Arts Event. The request is to waive the rental fee for the two days. Council instructed staff to see if he would donate a signed, framed print to the City in exchange for the use of the Community Center.

#### ELECTRICAL ISSUE

The line from the pole to the Community Center is not functioning and staff has received two quotes to repair the line or replace the line. This was purely informational to the Council.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The Work Session was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

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Chris Capaul, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lois Maetzold, City Clerk