

CITY OF WATERLOO FINANCE, INSURANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: MEETING MINUTES
December 4, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL. Alderperson Springer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Members present: Springer, Quimby & Griffin. Absent: none. Also attending: Angela Byers-Krantz; John Spies; Joel Zibell; Russel & Marilyn Peloquin; Paula Jacobs; Art Biermeier; Deb Battenberg; Lindsay Frank; Kristi Yost; Jeff Grotjahn; Chad Yerges; Jeff Robbins; Vern Butzine; Marlys Schmidt; Raynelle Butzine; Kelli Mountford; Amanda Brueckner and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen.
2. PUBLIC COMMENT. None.
3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.
4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Budget Shortfalls & Solutions. Discussion: Springer said an \$84,810 budget deficit existed because the Council did not adopt a wheel taxing during 2018 budget deliberations. In the meeting material, As remedy options, Springer outlined a moratorium on Police Dept hiring; cutting \$10,000 from the city's library appropriation; a \$7,000 reduction in slurry seal; and eliminating drug task force. Quimby suggested reducing the newly created contingency amount. Chief Sorenson said he wished to retain the Lieutenant's position. He said he could work through a delay in hiring. Springer led a discussion on the merits of the drug task force dollars. Sorenson said County program changes were in the work. Griffin questioned the slurry seal reduction and said the Library was the only department that submitted a 2017 5% reduction. Quimby spoke in favor of closing TID #1. Fire Chief Butzine said property & liability insurance premiums added to department expenses. Public Works Director Chad Yerges described figures for entering into a 3-year lease-to-own for the skid steer purchase rather than a 2018 direct payment. MOTION: Moved by Quimby, seconded by Griffin to recommend to Council a budget amendment including: (A) a moratorium on police department hiring for six months; (B) entering into a 3-year lease-to-own agreement as described by Yerges; and (C) amending the newly created contingency amount from \$45,000 to \$30,000 – with all changes benefiting the capital fund to remedy the deficit. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Quimby, Griffin and Springer. Noes: none. Motion carried.
5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENT. None.
6. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Moved by Griffin, seconded by Quimby to adjourn. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried. Approximate time: 5:45 p.m.

Attest:



Mo Hansen
Clerk/Treasurer