



MINUTES
COMMITTEE #1
REVENUES, DISBURSEMENTS, WATER AND WASTEWATER
May 16, 2019

Committee #1 - Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater met on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 30 West Central Street, Chippewa Falls, WI.

Committee Members present: Rob Kiefer, John Monarski, and Paul Nadreau

Mayor/Other Council Members present: None

Others present: Finance Manager/Treasurer Lynne Bauer, Police Chief Matt Kelm, Parks and Recreation Director Dick Hebert, Street and Utility Maintenance Manager Rick Ruf, Water Supervisor Matt Boos, and City Clerk Bridget Givens.

Call to Order: 9:00 am

1. Discuss disposition of damaged police car and insurance proceeds. Possible recommendations to the Council.

One of the police cars was recently damaged in an accident. Chief Kelm requested putting one of his new 2019 squads into circulation to replace the damaged vehicle. Chief Kelm is continuing to work with the insurance company to determine what our disposition options are for the damaged vehicle. It appears that the insurance company does not consider the vehicle totaled. Councilor Nadreau suggested that the damaged vehicle could potentially be sold at auction.

Possible ideas for use of the insurance proceeds were discussed including purchasing new .45 caliber handguns in the Police Department. Their current handguns are nine years old and are recommended for replacement every 8-10 years. Additional discussion will be had once the final proceeds are determined.

No action taken.

2. Discuss funding for seasonal wages for Streets, Parks and Utility Departments. Possible recommendations to the Council.

The Committee discussed the need to increase seasonal wages for the Streets, Parks and Utility Departments. Currently, the Parks seasonal maintenance wages are as follows:

Year 1 \$7.50/hr

Year 2 \$7.75/hr

Year 3 \$8.00/hr

Currently, the three departments offer different hourly wages and it was thought that they should all be compensated at the same hour rate.

Motion by Kiefer to recommend Council approve increasing seasonal wages for the Streets, Parks and Utility Departments to \$10/hr, \$10.50/hr, and \$11/hr with funding from 2019 current budget or reserves. **Motion died for lack of a second.** Additional discussion ensued.

Motion by Monarski/Kiefer to recommend the Council approve an increase for seasonal maintenance staff wages to \$10/hr with \$.50/hr increases annually, capped at 5 years or \$12.00/hr, with the pay increase effective May 28, 2019 and funding to come from 2019 current budget or reserves; those employees who are currently being compensated over \$10/hr will remain at their current rate of pay. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

3. Discuss funding for additional hours for Fire Department Secretary. Possible recommendations to the Council.

This item will be discussed after the Fire Department promotions are finalized to know available funding.

No action taken.

4. Adjournment

Motion by Monarski/Nadreau to adjourn at 9:39 am. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

**Minutes submitted by,
Lynne Bauer, Finance Manager/Treasurer**