

Meeting Minutes
Finance & Personnel Committee
Wednesday – August 5, 2015 - 4:30 p.m. Council Chambers

Members present: Barrington, O'Connell, Morack, Romberg. Tate excused.

Also present: Mayor Henke, Administrator Hager, Treasurer Radke, Building Inspector Paul Hanlon, Alderman Steinhorst, Alderman Besaw, John Faucher (reporter, Press Star), Municipal Judge Laurie Shaw, Utility Manager Steve Thompson and Police Chief Schlueter.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Romberg. Motion made by Morack and seconded by Barrington to approve the agenda. Carried 4-0.
2. Utility Manager Steve Thompson presented an amendment to the long term power supply contracts. The amendments are necessary so that WPPI has the ability to acquire new longer term power supply resources, issue long term bonds to finance the costs of the these resources and make other arrangements to continue to provide stable and low cost power supply for its members over the long term. A motion was made by O'Connell and seconded by Morack to recommend to council approval of the Amendment of Long Term Power Supply Contracts for the New London Utility. Carried 4-0.
3. The committee considered an Appeal of a Beverage Operator License Denial. A motion was made by Morack and seconded by Barrington to recommend to Council denial of the license. Carried 4-0.
4. Judge Laurie Shaw gave a report on the status of the Municipal Court. Laurie has made a number of changes to the court that will enable it to function more efficiently. She has also pursued fine collections through warrants, driver's license suspensions and tax intercept. Her actions have decreased the amount of money spent on the court and increased revenue for the year 2015. The committee thanked Laurie for the update on the Municipal Court.
5. Chief Schlueter had a general discussion in reference to Police Squad car replacement. The replacement of the 2013 Explorer will be considered as part of the 2016 budget process.

6. Administrator Hager discussed the options to include in a Request for Proposals for future Assessment Services. A motion was made by Morack and seconded by Barrington to recommend to Council the proposal include four years of maintenance, with a full revaluation in the first year. Carried 4-0.
7. A motion was made by Morack and seconded by Barrington to recommend to Council a resolution to withdraw from the Local Government Property Insurance Fund. Carried 4-0.
8. A motion was made by Morack and seconded by Barrington to recommend to Council to deny a claim based on the recommendation of the City's insurance company. Carried 4-0.
9. Administrator and Budget Reports were discussed.
10. There being no further business O'Connell/Morack to adjourn. Committee adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Judy Radke, Finance Director
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