

CITY OF ELKHORN
Finance & Judicial Committee Minutes
Council Chambers, 9 S. Broad Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

October 13, 2014

The Finance and Judicial Committee was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by Alderman McClory, followed by roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Aldermen Scott McClory, Tom Myrin

Also present: Mayor Brian Olson, Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Cairie Virrueta, Finance Director James Heilman, Fire Chief Rod Smith, Police Chief Joel Christensen, Library Director Lisa Selje

SESSION ONE BUDGET REVIEW

City Administrator Tapson presented the proposed 2015 City Budget to committee members. Items included in the budget are the building inspection and EEDA programs. A 2% increase in wages is provided in the budget numbers. There has been a shift away from across the board raises; wages follow a performance base model. The budget didn't provide for the Springsted Study results, once it is completed it will be reviewed and dealt with from the Contingent Reserve Account if needed.

Mayor Olson asked why was it necessary to do three review sessions. Administrator Tapson said because that is the way it has been done in the past. **There was unanimous consensus to review the rest of the budget in one session during a Common Council meeting rather than additional Finance & Judicial meetings.**

Library Director Selje discussed the Library's budget. The additional \$40,000 in the budget will go towards staffing and the RFID security project. Two part-time positions are planned to be added to the library staff next year. The cost of the RFID security project is \$31,000 and the Library Foundation and Friends of the Library Group will donate money towards the project.

Mayor Olson asked about the status of the façade repairs for the Library. The repairs will not be completed until Spring 2015. Mayor Olson inquired where the funds for the façade issues are coming from. Library Director Selje said from the library's reserve account. There was discussion regarding the City taking responsibility for the entire cost for the façade repairs as the City owns the building. **Motion (Myrin/McClory) to recommend that the City pay the full Library façade repairs, of approximately \$50,000, with funds coming from the City's Contingent Reserve Account. Motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Myrin/D'Alessandro) to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. Motion carried.

Cairie L. Virrueta
City Clerk