

CITY OF ELKHORN
Finance & Judicial Committee Minutes
First Floor Conference Room, 9 S. Broad Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

June 27, 2016

The Finance and Judicial Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Alderman McClory, followed by roll call.

Roll Call

Present: Aldermen Scott McClory, Hoss Rehberg, Tom Myrin

Also present: Alderman Cathy Bensaid, City Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Cairie Virrueta, Fire Chief Rod Smith, Library Director Lisa Selje, Kellen Olshefski

Water Rate Study/Case Filing: Engagement of Ehlers

Administrator Tapson said the City will have to do a rate case, which takes 145 days for submittal and takes 60-90 days for approval before that. Ehlers provided a cost of \$9,500 to do the rate case analysis and submittals. As they are familiar with the City, it reduces their cost to the City. Another smaller community recently did the same and it cost them \$12,000 and one the City did several years ago cost more than that. **Motion (Rehberg/Myrin) to recommend the Rate Case Study by Ehlers for \$9,500. Voice vote; all approved; motion carried.**

2017 Budget: General Discussion of 2017 Budget

Administrator Tapson asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the preliminary budget information provided. After July 8th the Department budgets will be completed and can be reviewed. The committee decided to wait to ask questions until after the Department budgets were finished.

Disposition of Surplus Property

Alderman McClory said the owner of Lakeland Bakery contacted him about the surplus bikes the City had, she proposed several ideas for the bikes, including buying them and donating them to those in need and implementing a program similar to Madison's Red Bike Program. Alderman Myrin asked if there were a lot of bikes; Alderman Rehberg said yes there were and the current system isn't working. He said at the L&R meeting it was discussed to auction the bikes off more frequently and he didn't support a program like Madison's. Administrator Tapson said the Police Chief was concerned with State Statutes and donation of the bikes and that he would look into it and the City's ordinances to allow the donation of the bikes. Alderman McClory asked that Tapson let Anna at Lakeland Bakery know about this and the City could contact Health and Human Services to find needy in the community. Alderman McClory asked that it be brought back to the committee in two weeks.

2015 Financial Reports Q&A Discussion

Administrator Tapson asked if the committee had any questions regarding the Annual Financial Report (Audit) and In-House Review that was recently sent to them. The committee didn't have any questions or need a more in-depth review.

Adjournment

Motion (Myrin/Rehberg) to adjourn at 5:51 p.m. Motion carried.

Cairie L. Virrueta
City Clerk