

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Gerd Clabaugh called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Clabaugh, Brown, Cope

Absent: Lindeman, Temple

Cope arrived at 6:35 p.m.

3. DISCUSS POLICE DEPARTMENT WORK SCHEDULE

Chief of Police Dennis McDaniel reviewed the proposed change in the police department work schedule. He noted that he was proposing moving a portion of the department to a 9 hour work day, instead of the 8.5 hour shifts currently in place. McDaniel provided information related to the increase, noting it would allow for an increase in patrol minimums to 3 officers once each shift was staffed with 6 officers, as well as allowing for additional training, and better staffing for collateral duties. Council members noted their support. McDaniel noted that the proposal would be discussed with his staff as well as the union representative prior to coming to the Council for approval at the November 21 meeting.

4. DISCUSS APPOINTMENT OF FIRE MARSHAL FOR JOHNSTON-GRIMES METRO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Jim Clark addressed the Council regarding his proposal to appoint a Fire Marshal in place of the EMS lieutenant position approved during the previous budget discussion. Clark noted that the position would be a lateral transfer for an existing lieutenant, and that the lieutenant would no longer be on-shift so a part-time firefighter would be moved to full-time. He also noted that the vacant lieutenant position would be filled by the next candidate on the promotional list, which will come from Grimes.

5. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN (CIP) DISCUSSION –STORM WATER UTILITY PROJECTS AND FINANCIAL MODEL

Community Development Director David Wilwerding introduced the representative from PFM responsible for the financial modeling related to the Stormwater Utility. Wilwerding noted that a review of the rates and the fund is a requirement of the ordinance which established the utility.

Matt Stoffel, of PFM, addressed the Council regarding the Stormwater fund and modeling. Stoffel reviewed the benefits of the SRF funding and the impact that has on the fund. He advised that the 10% operations and maintenance assumption from previous models would continue, as would the 1% homeowner grant allocation.

6. TERRA LAKE UPDATE

Parks Director John Schmitz provided an update on the Terra Lake project. He also noted that there is a portion of the regional trail that had been removed which continues to present an issue due to the water table in the area. He noted that he had spoken with the contractor and the Park Board about the possibility of relocating that trail. Council members noted that they had some concerns about tying the regional bike trail into a pedestrian portion of the Terra Lake trail and the potential conflicts that may present. Council members asked Schmitz to continue to work toward another solution.

Mayor Pro Tem Clabaugh noted that the project looks great and is coming along nicely.

7. PROJECTS UPDATE

Moved to the regular agenda due to time constraints.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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Paula S. Dierenfeld, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cyndee D. Rhames, City Clerk