

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Special Meeting
Monday, July 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: By Mayor Armitage on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 6:10 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Armitage, Mayor Pro-Tem Dyer, Weissenborn, Hoogstra, Baker, McRae, City Clerk Terpstra and City Manager Guetschow.

ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

A. DISCUSSION REGARDING SEQUESTERED ITEMS IN FY 20/21 BUDGET:

Mayor Armitage went over the four items on the resolution currently being Retiree Health care spousal coverage, Master Plan, CharlotteRising \$25,000 contribution and LEAP \$3,000 contribution.

He stated that items could be changed at any time and reminded that the financial analysis should be completed in the fall.

Mayor Armitage started by going through the line items that City Manager Guetschow had prepared for cuts to see how council felt about each line item.

City Council

Nothing was added back in.

City Manager

Nothing was added back in.

City Clerk

Training was discussed and decided to hold off for future discussion.

Election workers were discussed. It was decided to consider putting \$2,000 back in to the budget for election workers.

City Assessor

Discussion was held on the impact of reducing reinspections.

City Manager Guetschow explained the reasons for the reinspection in order to keep accurate records for fair taxing of properties.

Finance/Treasury

Discussion was held on postponing the CARC payment.

City Manager Guetschow stated that there would have to be a letter of agreement to eliminate and a letter sent to the townships.

Community Development

Discussion was held on CharlotteRising and LEAP contributions.

Mayor Armitage stated that a lot of this is included in the RFP for an assessment.

Police Department

Discussion was held on the school resource officer and if school would be back in session in the fall.

Mayor Armitage asked about delaying the hiring of another police officer at this time. He suggested waiting a few weeks to see where we are at that time.

Fire Department

Discussion was held on reducing part time staff, parking lot, salt spreader and delaying LED lighting.

Public Works

Discussion was held on not plowing lots for snow removal downtown.

Mayor Armitage stated that they would add back \$2,000 for election workers.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dyer suggested having Joe Pray attend a 6:00 P.M. meeting to discuss the airport.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Pray, 316 W. Seminary, stated that he would be happy to discuss the airport operations at any time.

Mayor Armitage adjourned the meeting at 6:59 P.M. Carried. 6 Yes. 0 No

Mayor Armitage

Ginger Terpstra, City Clerk, CMMC