

**COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019
6:00 PM**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present
Attorney Marcia McNagy – Absent

Council Members

Walter Crowder – Present
Nicole Penrod – Absent
Jennifer Romano – Present
Tad Varga – Absent
Daniel Weigold – Present

The Columbia City Common Council met in regular session with all members except Nicole Penrod and Tad Varga present, Mayor Daniel presiding.

MINUTES There were no minutes available for approval.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT Dan Weigold nominated Walt Crowder as Council President for 2019, Jennifer Romano seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, nominations were closed. Upon the nomination of Walt Crowder as Council President for 2019 all voted aye.

FUNDING FOR THE DISPATCH CENTER REMODELING Chief Leatherman requested funding for the remodeling of dispatch. He advised quotes were provided, minus the heating and cooling quote and the SDS quote. He stated they had an estimate of about \$10,000.00 from SDS. He explained the quotes from Richmond Construction, Kissinger Electric and Xybix.

Mayor Daniel confirmed they had multiple quotes for each of the components. Chief Leatherman advised they talked with multiple different companies to get the best quotes they could.

Mayor Daniel explained they had about \$395,000.00 available in the LOIT budget so could effectively pay for the whole project without financing it at all. He stated when looking at the total amount, without the Flow Tech quote, it ends up being about \$270,770.00. He advised the Flow Tech bid would be coming.

Mayor Daniel advised he would need approval from Council to expend the funds. Walt Crowder noted the layout of the funds was 50% up front so they could make it a two-step process but commit to the full amount. Mayor Daniel respectively requested to at least appropriate \$271,000.00 towards the project out of the cash on hand from the LOIT fund. Walt Crowder advised he was ok with doing the \$271,000.00. He advised most of the contractors only want 50% up front which would buy them time to know what the final true costs will be.

Chief Leatherman reviewed the timeline of the project.

Motion was made by Walt Crowder to allocate \$275,000.00 from reserves of the public safety LOIT fund towards this project, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Jeff Walker** – sent out final engineering trail study report and update SDI project. **Tom LaRue** – will be off for next 3 months and to contact Assistant Chief Steve Sturgeon during that time. **Shawn Lickey** – Christmas decorations taken down, 7 trees fell in a 2 ½ mile stretch pulling wires down and causing an outage, found faulty piece of metering equipment at hospital and would be replacing it immediately by removing every wire off of the service, replace current transformers, update the service to a more accurate metering service and update the meter base to be able to perform tests on. **Scott Leatherman** – new police officer Jacob Eggleston started his pre-basic training and they hired Sara McGehee as a part time dispatcher. **Mark**

Green – RFP for the old high school property, Father/Daughter dance February 8 & 9, playground equipment changes, Tom Rentschler to be certified as a pool operator.

MAYOR REPORT Attended open house for the new school transportation location. Youth Council would be meeting on January 17 and was also hoping to hear whether we were awarded a wastewater grant on that date. He reminded everyone of the awards banquet on January 18 at Eagle Glen and the City offices would be closed January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. day.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle