

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
April 24, 2018
Council Chambers, Public Safety Building

Present

Denis Duranczyk, Greg Jenson, Pat O'Connor, Kathleen Johnson and Mayor Tim Swadley

Others Present

Finance Director LaBorde, Clerk Licht, Police Chief Leck, Alder Boersma, Senior Center Director McGlynn, and Mike Moderski

Absent and Excused

None

Call to Order

Chairperson Duranczyk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Communications

Reports

Finance Director LaBorde presented the contingency fund report. She noted that it stands at \$62,000.

Duranczyk asked the Finance committee if they would like to continue receiving the comprehensive budget reports. She added that there is the option to send a summary report. The committee opted to receive the full report.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding McFarland State Bank building condition report and offer to donate building to the City

Mike Moderski of McFarland State Bank addressed the committee and said that the bank is looking for direction. He added that the bank needs to know if the City is still interested in accepting the donation of the building.

Jenson said the City doesn't know if there would be a purpose for the building yet. He added that he would be against spreading City offices throughout the city.

O'Connor asked what would happen to the building if the City didn't accept the offer. Moderski said that it would be likely that the bank would try to sell it to another entity.

Duranczyk thank Moderksi for his efforts. She added that although the bank building is a generous offer, she does not support accepting it. She said that the City could not financially support another building. Duranczyk cited the Riverfront Development and the Whitewater Park as large expenses that the City has already taken over this year. She added that the City should reconfigure and reassess space that already exists in City buildings. She further added that the

Council Chambers could be moved to the EMS building and the current Council Chambers could be converted into office space.

Mayor Swadley stated that the City should seriously consider the building. He added that City offices are already spread throughout the City. He added that moving some offices over to the bank building would be more customer friendly as all offices would be on one floor. Swadley said that the bank building would have better security than the current City Hall building. In terms of finances, Swadley stated that the money used to finance this building would be different than the money used for the Riverfront Development and the Whitewater Park. He added that moving City offices would allow the Opera House to expand.

O'Connor said he did not support accepting the offer from McFarland State Bank. He added that the City cannot fund the operations of another building at this time.

Johnson stated that the bank building could be used as new offices for the Chamber or it would be a good opportunity for the Opera House to expand into City Hall.

Motion by O'Connor, second by Duranczyk to decline offer from McFarland State Bank. Motion failed on a vote of 2-3 with Swadley, Jenson and Johnson voting 'no'.

Motion by Jenson, second by Johnson to accept the offer from McFarland State Bank Motion carried 3-2 with Duranczyk and O'Connor voting 'no'.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the April 24, 2018 Finance Committee Minutes

Motion by O'Connor, second by Johnson to approve the April 24, 2018 Finance Committee minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding funding request from Stoughton City Band

Duranczyk stated the Stoughton City Band is requesting \$500-\$1000 in funding from the City and for the funding to be included in the budget going forward. Becky Egan stated that the band needs funding to help buy/maintain instruments and to buy arrangements.

Motion by Johnson, second by Jenson to approve the funding request from Stoughton City Band in the amount of \$500-\$1000 and to include the funding in the budget going forward. Motion carried 4-1 with O'Connor voting 'no'.

Discussion and possible action regarding Tentative 2019 Budget Schedule

Finance Director LaBorde presented the tentative 2019 budget schedule. Duranczyk asked to move the first CIP meeting to June 28th. There were no objections.

Discussion and possible action regarding Police Department Garage Space Study

Chief Leck said that all the quad cars are currently sitting outside all year. He added that they take up most, if not all, of the parking spaces at the public safety building. Duranczyk said that this should be going to CIP. The Committee directed staff to refer this item to the CIP.

Discussion and possible action regarding Agreement to Delay the Payment of Impact Fees associated with the Kettle Park Senior Living Project by Stoughton Holdings, LLC

Duranczyk said occupancy permit will be delay until the developer pays the impact fees. Mayor Swadley added that the agreement will give the City and the Developer more flexibility.

Motion by Jenson, second by O'Connor to approve an Agreement to Delay the Payment of Impact Fees associated with the Kettle Park Senior Living Project by Stoughton Holdings, LLC. Motion carried 4-1 with Johnson voting 'no'.

Adjournment

Motion by O'Connor, second by Jenson to adjourn at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.