

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 28, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, Public Safety Building

Present:

Alderspersons Paul Lawrence, Regina Hirsch, Pat O'Connor, Tim Swadley, and Mayor Olson

Others Present:

Clerk Lana Kropf, Police Chief Greg Leck, EMS Director Lisa Schimelpfenig, and HR Director AJ Gillingham

Absent and Excused:

None

Call to order:

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

Communications:

Mayor Olson noted that the annual audit is being conducted this week and all is going well.

Contingency Report:

The reports were reviewed and no action was taken.

Finance Committee Minutes of February 14, 2017:

Motion by O'Connor, to approve the Finance Committee minutes of February 14, 2017, second by Hirsch. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Discussion regarding updates to EMS Contract with surrounding townships:

EMS Director Schimelpfenig explained to the committee that she, along with the Finance Director and Mayor, had begun the process of updating the contracts with the townships relating to the EMS services. She explained that the updates to the contract would be setup as a fee-for-service versus a shared cost. She maintained that the City currently owns the equipment and holds the responsibility to make sure that all equipment is up to date. The townships agreed with the price of the services, approximately \$6.72 per capita, but was concerned that the City would not be contributing per capita as well. The towns feared that they would be "subsidizing" the City with this plan. Schimelpfenig noted that the fee for service contract would be good for three years and would increase by 5% per year. This plan has the second lowest cost EMS service in Dane County. The Committee agreed that the fee-for-service was the best option and encouraged Schimelpfenig to present the contract as is to the surrounding towns with the Finance Committee's support.

Motion by O'Connor, to approve the current contract, present to Council for consideration and present to the surrounding townships, second by Hirsch. Motion carried 5-0.

The Council may meet in closed session per State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) considering compensation for Police Department Sergeants. The Council may reconvene in open session and proceed to consider the remaining items on the agenda

Motion by O'Connor, to convene the Finance Committee into closed session, second by Swadley. Motion carried 5-0. The Finance Committee convened into closed session at 6:24 p.m.