

MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 19, 2013

The Wayne City Council met in special session at City Hall on Monday, August 19, 2013, at 4:15 o'clock P.M. Mayor Ken Chamberlain called the meeting to order with the following in attendance: Councilmembers Cale Giese, Rod Greve, Jennifer Sievers, Kaki Ley, and Matt Eischeid; City Attorney Eric Knutson; City Administrator Lowell Johnson; Finance Director Nancy Braden; and City Clerk Betty McGuire. Absent: Councilmembers Jon Haase, Nick Muir and Jill Brodersen.

Notice of the convening meeting was given in advance by posting in three places (City Hall, Community Activity Center, and Library) on August 14, 2013, and a copy of the meeting notice and agenda were simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the Council convened in open session.

Nancy Braden, Finance Director, presented the proposed 2013-2014 budget.

Councilmember Muir arrived at 4:45 p.m. and Councilmember Haase arrived at 6:20 p.m.

Council reviewed the General Fund Revenue Sources and Expenditures along with the Utility Revenue Sources and Expenditures for the upcoming FY2013-2014 Budget.

The Equalization Fund increased revenues by about \$50,000 this year. The Equalization Fund is based on our valuation and what our tax levy is. If we would use sales tax for property tax reduction, the amount we would receive from this fund would be jeopardized.

Personnel wages were discussed. The budget proposes a merit increase with a 2% cost of living adjustment. It was noted that while the 2% cost of living adjustment is included in the budget, the Council can forego or reduce the percentage when the wage resolution is acted upon.

The valuations will be received from the County Assessor's office on August 20th.

Some of the items Council discussed were as follows:

- Contracted cleaning services - consensus was to keep the contracted cleaning services in lieu of hiring full-time staff.
- Full-time Youth Services position at the Library
- Exit door from the children's room at the Library
- Increase Senior Center Maintenance Budget to include window replacement
- Lobbyist expenditure
- Building inspections conducted by the City of Norfolk
- Metering the golf course water usage
- Rugby fields by the Summer Softball Complex
- Decrease general fund reserves by an amount to redo the rugby fields for soccer (install irrigation, etc.).

Wes Blecke, Executive Director of Wayne Area Economic Development, presented their request for funding. Along with the monetary request of \$93,000, WAED was also requesting that the City continue to provide internet services to the office at no cost along with the technical support it currently provides; to allow WAED employees access to the health care insurance (WAED pays premiums); and to fund the gap between the City's self-insured deductible and the plan's deductible for health care insurance.

There being no further discussion, Council adjourned at 10:00 p.m.