

**City of Mt. Sterling
General Council Meeting
Police Training Center - #5 Jefferson Road
January 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.**

Mayor Flesner calls the general City of Mt. Sterling Council Meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. with roll call. **ROLL CALL – Jim Jennings here, Schenk here, Myers here, Scranton here, Buss here, Lauren Jennings here.**

Fire Chief Brian Gallaher, Public Works Director Dusty Buss, Police Chief Brandon Norris, City Attorney Lonnie Dunn, City Treasurer Cheryl Flynn, and City Administrator Vada Yingling are present.

Mayor Dane Flesner- I would like to entertain a motion to approve December minutes.

Alderman Myers- I want to make a correction on paragraph 1 page 12, it is quoting me it says “if we could get the majority of the parties to get the Governor to present a budget we probably wouldn’t have this problem. It should be the majority party not parties.

Alderman Jim Jennings makes a motion to approve the December minutes with the correction, seconded by Myers. Schenk yes, Myers yes, Scranton yes, Buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes.

Mayor Flesner- motion to pass the December minutes, with the correction from Alderman Myers passes unanimously.

Mayor Flesner- I would to entertain a motion to approve the December expenses, checks have been cut, with the only addition of \$1393.75 to Dunn Law Office.

Alderman Scranton makes a motion to approve the December expenses with the only addition of \$1393.75 to Dunn Law Office, seconded by Jim Jennings. Myers no, Scranton yes, Buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes, Schenk yes.

Mayor Flesner- motion to approve the December expenses with the addition of \$13393.75 to Dunn Law Office passes with 5 yes, and 1 no.

Mayor Flesner- Guest/Citizens opportunity to address the council- Action Brown County update. Not here tonight.

Old Business- nothing

New Business-Sick leave policy changes mandated by the State. Vada, yes we were supposed to have this changed by the first of the month so we are a little behind. Our policy read that employees are getting 80 hours sick leave at each calendar year. Sick leave can be used for family members, spouse, children, and parents. I have highlighted the portion that they want to be added in requiring the addition of mother in law, father in law, grandchild, grandparent, or step-parent. We just need a motion to make that change in our handbook policy.

Alderman Jim Jennings makes a motion to approve the mandate by the State for the changes in our sick policy, seconded by Schenk. Scranton yes, buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes, Schenk yes, Myers yes.

Mayor Flesner- motion to approve the mandates from the State for the changes to our sick policy passes unanimously.

Mayor Flesner-review bank proposals received under RFP for proposed \$123,000.00 loan. Vada, ok we sent these out to all the local banks in town and we got one back and I passed that out to everyone. It came from the Brown County State Bank, over 3 years semi-annual interest at a rate of 1.59% fixed, there will be no upfront fees at closing for the loan the bank will charge none of that. The 1.59% interest is 1.16% lower than what the projections that Steve Kline prepared for us last month. He has prepared those figures at 2.75%. He also wants us to, Steve says the timing of payments will be important because historically our real estate tax bills have been collected later than normal the past 2 years, than what they normally are and what other counties do. So that, keeping that in mind he will work with us and make sure we keep that timing under consideration. And from his Economic Development group, they find that Brown County Banks proposal is in order and consistence with RFP requirements. Jim Jennings- we didn't get proposals from any other bank? Vada, we did not. We sent them out to all four of our local banks. Allen Schenk, this loan is for what? Vada, the remaining engineering cost of the uptown project. Allen, and exactly what cost is that, is it phase 1 or is it phase 2 or? Vada, it will be phase 2 and that will be it, it will finish up all the rest of the Main Street project and some of the Capital, it won't be all of that but within doing the 4-way stop you get into part of Capital. Allen, is phase 1 done though? Vada, I don't know that for sure I would have to ask. Dusty, I don't believe phase 1 is done, not completely done. Allen, I think we should have phase 1 done and completed first. Dusty, that is part of this, finishing phase 1 and completing phase 2. Vada, this will get a complete set of shelf ready plans so we will be ready to pull the string again when we want to reapply for the ITEP grant this same time in 2018. Dane, will this be paid out of TIF money? Vada, it will. Dane, will it raise any taxes in the City of Mt. Sterling? Vada, no it won't. Dane, thank you. Jim, and to add to it once again this money cannot be spent anywhere but downtown, it can't be done on any other ideas that people have outside of TIF district. And this falls in line with the entire plan, the reason we want to not only finish phase 1 but phase 2 is like what Vada was saying when it does come up our grant score

will be higher if we have the engineering done, because they will see that we have done that and we are committed to moving forward. But that doesn't mean we will get it and I am not saying that but it definitely helps. Myers, is phase 2 similar to 1? Vada, as far as? Myers, what does it entail? Dusty, no it is a different criteria, the 1st part is mostly the environmental stuff, getting all the clearances and designing. Then the 2nd part is the finish work you know coordination and all that stuff. Myers, does phase 2 propose a plaza in front of the courthouse? Dusty, that is not even being discussed right now, Main Street only not Capital. Vada, and we are talking about phase 1 and phase 2 of engineering and not phase 1 and phase 2 of the overall project. In terms of engineering we are talking phase 1 and phase 2 of that work. Myers, so we are going to exceed over a quarter of a million dollars just for engineering? Or have exceeded that? Vada, yes as our engineer Anthony Miller told us the last time he was here it is right at 8-10% of the total project to be expected in engineering costs. Myers, and you say it won't raise taxes but when you get down to the brass tax isn't this still tax money though? Vada, yes it is tax money but it is TIF funding and unused TIF funding is just as bad as misused TIF funding. Myers, and aren't we may be getting close to over extending? Vada, no I have talked extensively with Steve Kline and he feels like we are not. Myers, why did he elude to that at a previous meeting? Vada, I think he cautioned us so we wouldn't get there like prior and other towns that he is an advisor for. And he doesn't want us to step in that same track and I don't want us to either. I don't think anyone at this table wants us too. But I have confidence in Steve Kline and with his office, we pay them good money to advise us and good faith on how to properly spend and oversee our TIF funding. Jim, he has on two other points here in from the very beginning when the very first meeting happened, step back to that Capitol plaza that was something that was in the downtown plan kikicobata but together and there a lot of things about that that aren't realistic. But when me and Vada and I think Dane may have been there when we met with Steve Kline right out of the gate he said, I am going to be very conservative on what I think our revenues will be. I will take the very conservative number and we are only going to recommend that you tie up, if I remember correctly, 70% of what they were saying that revenues would be at that time. For that exact reason as to not over extend. So, not only are they saying let's make sure we only spend about 70% of what we think the income is going to be, this past year the income has already exceeded what their predictions were. So, they are very conservative with every step we take here and we have been taking that advice the entire time. And then back to, it is tax dollars but I want to use the example again if everyone can remember what the Buckley properties looked like up there. There were not taxes paid on that for about 20 years. Now the taxes that are being paid on it, the City is getting all of it to redevelop the downtown, once the TIF district matures then every single taxing body gets an influx of tax dollars. Once again this a tool that has been used in, I don't know how many municipalities within the State and no some of them have went bad because of council that were not being advised by professionals and they made mistakes. But along with Vada, anyone I have every ran into anywhere I am ever at the leaders in municipality, you bring up Steve Kline it is nothing but praise and professionalism and does a wonderful job. What we are doing here makes perfect sense, for all taxing bodies including the City. Vada, and he actually was the one that came up with the idea of having this three year loan and paying it out of TIF funds and doing it this way so that we don't deplete all the of the general fund or all of the TIF fund all at one time, paying it all in the same year. This way we can still keep it out of the general fund, using TIF money without depleting it. And we would still

have, the first year after all of our previous obligations and doing this three year loan, after the first payment, we would still have over \$54,000.00 left in the TIF funds jointly if we needed it for another project. Myers, what if another large business came to town and requested assistance? I know there is something pending with Farm and Home, are we going to achieve what they might want? Vada, well no and this is why, if they come in and finish their building this year in 2017 then they will be reassessed in 2018 and those taxes will not be payable until 2019. So 2019 would be the first year possible year for any business or anything coming in at all any agreement with TIF going forward that we would ever have to pay any increment back to that business in any type of agreement at all. Jim Jennings, which let me expound on that, once again I said this last month, when a business wants to come to town we do not take money and hand it to them. We have an agreement, and we have done this with the Tastee Treet we did with Michelle up at Main Street Salon it happened with Dorothy's Market, they spend the money first, that makes their assessed value go up, then their taxes that they paying that we would normally take all of we reimburse them on a yearly basis until the TIF district matures. So we don't have to have a bunch of money on hand to delve out to people that is not how it works. Each time somebody does that, even if a new business comes to town, because the money that we are talking about spending right now we are basing off of the income that we foresee not even with the Farm and Home Supply project right now. Because it is not guaranteed it hasn't happened yet. When it does happen they come in, they build new or I assume or redo an existing building somewhere, and their assessable value goes up we get that money and they only get a portion of that back so the increment, the amount of money that the City gets raises again. Every time somebody comes to town it is good for us and the bottom line of the TIF district. Dusty, in essences when we do a contract with somebody they are paying themselves back, it is just going through us. Jim, right. Mayor Flesner, and I urge anyone that is confused, Steve every year he does 2 or 3 meetings with us and explains this to a T. So anybody community wise, alderman wise, anybody wise, those are the meetings to come to. Because if you leave there confused, you can ask him anything and it is simple to understand once you sit in on those. Myers, well I think Steve does a Nobel job I never questioned his knowledge or any advice he has provided. Mayor, anybody like to make a motion for the bank proposal?

Alderman Jim Jennings makes a motion to accept the proposal of the RFP provided to us by Brown County State Bank for \$123,000.00 at a rate of 1.59% for three years, seconded by Lauren Jennings. Buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes, Schenk no, Myers no, Scranton yes.

Mayor Flesner, motion to accept Brown County State Bank proposal for \$123,000.00 financed over three years with 1.59% fixed passes with 4 yes and 2 no.

Mayor Flesner, resolution for Brown County State Bank so the city clerk can withdraw funds from the savings accounts.

Stacy, we had a slight issue with the Christmas party, we didn't have enough funds to pay for it so I had to take some funds out of the general account. Because I was going to take

it out of the savings account to put in there but my name is not on it. So, in order for me to have my name on it, it has to be approved by the council and I have to take the minutes to them. So, it would be on accounts, 5120 the Mt. Sterling City Mausoleum, account 1401 City of Mt. Sterling police Department Pop Fund, and account 1420 City of Mt. Sterling Police Department Miscellaneous Account. Then I will replace the money in the general account. Myers, Stacy did you mean the Christmas bonuses you said party? Stacy, no I meant party. Myers, when was there a party. Chief Norris, was that last weekend? Stacy, it was the 7th. Myers, did any of the other council members know about a party? Yes. Myers, how was they notified? Chief Norris, Facebook and we had signup sheets at City Hall. Myers, well I wasn't aware of it maybe that was the intention though. Chief Norris, there was a signup sheet at City Hall it was there if you were in there. Myers, well how often do I go in there other than to pick up the minutes? Norris, I don't know Mick I am just saying there was a signup sheet at City Hall. Myers, it doesn't matter. Myers, how much was the party? Stacy, I couldn't tell you right off the top of my head. Myers, you know South Jacksonville got into a big to do over reserving a place where they didn't end up going to and they still have a pending problem because part of the council was for it and part of the council was not for it. Stacy, the employees actually paid for it and whatever wasn't covered came out of the police department pop fund which is their money.

Alderman Jim Jennings makes a motion to give the City Clerk, Stacy Dunlap and City Treasurer Cheryl Flynn to be listed on the all the accounts listed by the City Clerk, seconded by Lauren Jennings. Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes, Schenk yes, Myers yes, Scranton yes, Buss yes.

Mayor Flesner-the resolution for the Brown County Bank so that the City Clerk and Treasurer can withdraw and deposit in the saving accounts passes unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Allen Schenk, my first question, what is the Flex Spending? That money comes out of employees paychecks and allows them to spend it on medical bills not covered by insurance. Second question, are we going to keep Shop with a Cop? Yes. Then we have over 200 thousand in TIF 2 correct? Yes. That is just going to keep building hopefully correct? Yes. And we passed a motion to borrow \$123,000.00? Yes so we don't deplete it. Vada, we may have that in the account but there are obligations that will be paying developers that have existing agreements with the City for TIF financing. Like Dollar Generals last payment should be going out. All About Dance, Subway, Main Salon, and Tastee Treet when we get the paperwork all finalized. Lauren Jennings, then the semiannual payments on the loan will come out of TIF correct? Yes. Jim Jennings, so you will see that number at one point in the year drop substantially, then build back up again then drop it does that every year. Dusty, you will just see that number fall all year long because we only get one payment too that when the taxes are do. So at the very end of the year like it has been the last few years because we pay our taxes so late, once we get our influx our account goes up but then as we

spend it throughout the year it just drops until the end of the next year. Cheryl, if you go back in your past packets it will show that. Allen, ok thank you.

Public Works Report- Dusty, I don't know if anybody has been up to City Hall lately but we got the floors redone in there. The new desk and furniture is in, it looks really good. We got the salt spreader put in the new truck and all wired up. Allen, Dusty back to the floor, are we going to be putting new doors in City Hall too? Dusty, we are yes. Dusty, I wanted to let everyone know to, you will be seeing some training expenses over the next couple of months I am getting some scheduled. The only other thing that that I have is, I told you I would bring it every month, the prison's bill. The prison's bill is \$365,120.74. Scranton, wasn't there a payment of 70 some thousand? Dusty, we never received that payment. It was promised to Dane but we never got it. Vada, you can look on the comptroller's website and it has never been issued. Dane, the voucher has been issued from the State but has not been paid to the comptroller's office. They won't return my calls, I have it documented I have had tons of conversations with Dusty over the last couple of weeks with Jim, even one with Lonnie. I have been on the phone about every day I would say I have left 10-15 messages with the same poor lady over at comptroller's office. She says she sends the emails to the appropriate people every time and I haven't got one single response back from anybody in Ms. Mendoza's office. I think my next step is to find out the next time Ms. Mendoza is in Springfield and just want into the offices and see if I can speak with her or speak with someone who can get me an answer in person. If it doesn't work in person then I have exhausted all my options as doing what I can do. I even e-mailed a congressman about it too. So he is on our side trying to help us as well, Jill Tracy, Noreen Hammond they are all in on it I update them every 2 or 3 days. Jim Jennings, what does it take to move on that private company that.... Cheryl, that Philip was telling us about? Jim, yes because we never had to do it because they paid up the first time. Dane, I think it is a matter of getting ahold of the company and they get us all the paperwork to fill out I believe. Dusty, there is a certain number of companies that can do it in the State. Allen, then we loss 10%? Dane, no we just loose the penalty. Vada, you get the 90% upfront and then the other 10% of what is due until it is paid to them. Dane, and then they get the interest. Myers, does that work though with the State? Vada, I think so, I will look it up. Jim Jennings, the last time we were looking at this we were hearing from other Municipalities in the same predicament, have any of them reached out again this time? Vada, no. Dusty, I have just talked to one and he said they are in the same boat. Vada, I can look them up also on the comptrollers website, they are not getting paid. Dusty, once the stop gap passed we got 2 or 3 payments and that is it because that is all we really got, everybody is in the same boat. Myers, like I said last month if the majority party would get a budget to the Governor I am sure he would sign it. Dane, anything else Dusty? Dusty, no.

Committee Reports

Ad Hoc

Airport- Dane, there will be a slew of motions next month for the airport. There will be a lot of people here if we have any questions. But they got a lot of things taken care of in a really good airport meeting I have heard about.

Cemetery

City Planning

Finance/Budget-Dane, proposed changes to bill paying recommendations from the committee. We had a finance/budget meeting and discussed how we pay the bills. We all came to the conclusion, which Dusty, Brandon, Brian all gave their blessings. The only thing we are going to change is when we pay them. We are going to pay them within the week after the council approves them. Then we will pay all the bills the month before unless it is a contractual bill or utility bill. Brandon, Dusty and Brian will still do the same process with Stacy. Stacy will still get the checks wrote out but will just not send any of them out until after we approve them at the meeting. And any bill that was above and beyond the customary and then the council members will be polled if there is an emergency if there is something outside of those lines. So, basically the same thing but we will pay the bills after council approves them, within the next week after the council meeting Stacy will mail checks. Jim, and this won't lead to any fees or past dues we hope? Stacy, yes we hope. Jim, is there anything we could put in there? Dane, I would say if they find one that is an extenuating circumstance. Jim, so you do have that? Dane, yes that is in there. Myers, the only thing that I would add is that no vouchers are to be drawn until it has the appropriate receipt or invoice attached. Vada, I think we added that in there. Dane, yes that is in there. Jim, it sounds like the department heads are good with this I wasn't at the meeting? I guess in honor of that motion you should make it. Myers, I will make it I am tired of voting no every month.

Alderman Myers makes a motion to approve the bill paying process as presented by the committee, seconded by Jim Jennings. Jim Jennings yes, Schenk yes, Myers yes, Scranton yes, Buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes.

Mayor Flesner- motion to implement the new way bills are being paid at City Hall recommended by the committee passes unanimously.

Fire-Brian, I just have one thing. We just completed our annual truck maintenance pump testing/ladder testing, we do that in November or December every year. We utilize the Banner Fire Equipment Company out of Roxanna, Illinois, that is where the bulk of our equipment comes from. They didn't get the bills to me in time to get them submitted to Stacy to get them on for tonight, but if I wait until next month's then I will incur a late fee so I wanted to present those for payment. So for the 3 ½ trucks that the City owns, couple of them were level 1 preventative maintenance 2 of them were a level 2 preventative maintenance, pump service, pump testing, ladder service and ladder testing. So, for the 3 ½ trucks the total that we own Banner is \$6,996.66, and this is something I budget every year.

We do this every year, they NFP requirements requires that we use a certified emergency vehicle technician to do that type of service, and that is what Banner is.

Alderman Scranton makes a motion to approve the expense as presented, seconded by Buss. Schenk yes, Myers yes, Scranton yes, Buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes.

Mayor Flesner, motion to allow to spend \$6,996.66 needed for truck testing passes unanimously.

Lake/Lake Development, Lake Caretaker. Dane, I am not sure this was a late add on. Schenk, I never put that on there. Dusty, we talked about this last year, last fall with all the discussions with the lake caretaker and then Vada and I discussed it the other day. That we wanted to start probably, have a meeting this month and try to get something in the paper and see if we can get some interest in this now so we are not waiting until the last minute. So, basically Vada put that on there I think just to give everybody a heads up. Vada, I didn't put it on there. Dusty, oh ok we are going to have a meeting on it. Dane, with something like that is that something we have to advertise on Facebook or something to start with since we are... Dusty, we can advertise it wherever we want. that way maybe we don't waste a bunch of money. Jim Jennings, if you would google Good Samaritan camp grounds, Jelly Stone, if you put something on there because there are people at other campgrounds that are always looking for opportunities like that you would probably get a lot of offers from campers. Dusty, we have a lot better understanding to from other camp grounds of what we are looking for. Schenk, so Dusty are you going to call that meeting? Dusty, it doesn't matter who calls it but I think we should do it this month and get moving on it. Dane, all I ask out of that meeting Dusty is that either you or somebody comes up with a good job description, what the duties are, and that kind of stuff in black in white so we don't have a repeat. Schenk, have you heard anything about the damn inspection? Dusty, they do not like to do them when the ground is frozen or when it is extremely wet. So it is probably going to be closer to spring time now that they do it.

Personnel

Plan Commission

Police- Brandon, we had 222 contacts this month, 51 traffic stops, 25 citations, 36 warnings, 3 arrests, handled 1 accident, 1 ordinance violation. I have on here bid approval for PD renovations, at our committee meeting we talked about some work that needs done at the police department. So, we put in the paper to get bids, Todd Floistad was the only one that submitted a bid, we accepted bids for 3 weeks. What this is for is on the old fire department side the big door, there is a header board up over the top and it is completely rotted in and a lot of big holes in it. The exterior door on old fire department the one right

next to the library and the one next to the flag pole, on those the frames are rusting and the wood portion of the frame is rotting out. So, when Todd came in I had some other work that I wanted him to do, to give us a bid on. And that is actually to do some remodeling on the inside of the department. Currently what we have for an interview area, is just one room and it has 2 closets in it, one we use for extra supplies and it isn't very big, the other closet is about the same size and currently that is all we have for evidence storage right now and it is packed full. So, what I talked to Todd about when he came in and did the bid for the outside stuff is to also do a separate bid for the inside stuff which we had talked about at the committee meeting. And that is basically turn the one big room into three separate rooms, that would give us a decent size evidence room, a decent size interview room, and then just a room where our intoxilyzer is housed and we can bring people in and we can have them in a secure locked area, so they are not accessible to the rest of the department. That way as long as it was not an arrest or a felony it was save us a trip to Schuyler County to house them over there and do the intake stuff there. The total cost of the 2 bids here is \$28,285.39 and that is for the complete project with doing the inside portion and the outside portion. If you break that down and that's the highest, he gave me some other options of what we could do to lower that price. But that is the total overall project cost. \$5800.00 of that is for Precision Electric to do electrical, moving boxes and stuff like that. Just the outside portion is \$5,860.00 and that is the outside, the exterior doors and the header board above the top. In speaking with Vada, when we got these bids together, we put aside \$20,000.00 to Capitol building when we did budget this year and currently we have \$19,468.00 of that remaining. After we meet all of our obligations in the TIF district which with this project we can use TIF funds. Because we are not a business we are a municipality we can use those funds immediately we don't have to wait 3 years. After we meet all of our obligations on what you have voted on tonight that still leaves us a remainder of \$54,092.00, all that could pay for the project or a portion of that could pay for the project that would be up to the council. Currently in the general fund we have... Dane, after the \$28,000.00 we would still have \$54,000.00? Brandon, no you would have to subtract the \$28,000.00 from that. currently in general fund we have \$246,065.00 so I guess I would just leave it up to council. This is something I would like to do to make the police department a little more conducive give us some more storage space, more evidence room, and start to get us to where we can be a lot more sufficient ourselves and not have to drive to Schuyler county to house people unless again it is a felony or a domestic which we have to house people on those. This kind of coincides with stuff we are going to be doing with the ESTB board prior to the 911 center going live. There is going to be new equipment in there and with that we hope to have a CADS system and records management system. So it is a lot of things kind of coming together all at once and if we get the CADS system and the records management they have a booking module in that where we can do all the stuff, we can take their pictures right there and we can do fingerprints and we can do everything in house and that will save us the 17 miles there and the 17 miles back. So, that is part of what this project is about and again it would give us some more space. I will just open it up for discussion here as to what you guys think as far as using TIF money, using general fund money or splitting it half and half, what does the council think on that? Myers, well I am not trying to split hairs but I would like to differ to Lonnie to ask if it is proper to take a vote since, was the whole plan in the original request for a bid? Brandon, yes. Myers, or is this other stuff been added? Brandon, no it was all in the original request in the paper. He just broke it down into to two separate things so I could explain and that way if we wanted

piece meal or do a la carte with it we could do that. Myers, do you have live scan? Brandon, no we don't. Myers, do you do any fingerprints here still? Brandon, yes, live scan is about \$10,000.00. Scranton, has the subject been brought up to Steve at all? Brandon, yes Vada e-mail Steve and talked with him about it and he said once we met all of our other obligations that we still had this \$54,000.00 remaining. Jim Jennings, know does, I didn't quite grasp what account you were talking about there TIF 1 or TIF 2. Vada, it is the combination of both. Jim, a combination of them both so the money will be coming out of the both of them if we use any of those funds toward this project? Vada, right. Brandon, and speaking with Todd he said about a 2 week start date. Dusty, did he give you a material list for the header and two doors? Brandon, yes. They are going to be steel doors and steel door jams and do away with the wood. Myers, it is my understanding that the committee didn't recommend anything beyond the header and the things you have already described. Brandon, we discussed all the stuff and that is how it was put in the paper. The committee told me to go ahead and put out for bids and that is what I did. Myers, well that could be but I certainly don't recall it. Buss, we said to bid it and see what the cost was and then determine what we wanted to do after we knew the total dollar amount. Myers, where is this contractor from here? Brandon, yes. Jim, so he said we can do piece meal, because I noticed that header months ago it looks bad and it is going to fall. I would at least like to get that moving. The interior things I know nothing about so I am leaving that to committees. Was anyone else at the committee with you when that was discussed? Buss, yes I think it was just that we didn't know what the cost would be. If you want we can approve what you saw, Brandon brought pictures of that so everyone at the committee knew that it needs to be done. And I would feel more than comfortable in calling another police committee meeting to go over that bid so that the committee can look at it more in depth and then the committee can make a recommendation. Dane, maybe you can have it up there so Brandon can show you what he is thinking about splitting up. Jim, do the exterior now with the 2 week out and I am sure best case scenario it will be a month before he has that done and we might be looking at the next project. If everybody is comfortable with that, and just make sure, Cheryl, what he saying we have in general the \$249,000.00 that is just the checking we still have two C.D.'s that are equivalent of \$402,000.00? Cheryl, yes the C.D.'s are still there. Cheryl, Brandon before we go any further we need to see if that bathroom is handicap compliant too. Brandon, the one up front? Cheryl, one of them because this one is not and neither is the one at City Hall. And you have to have at least one of the three. Brandon, I think that one is but I will ask Todd he will know. Myers, I believe that is too.

Alderman Jim Jennings makes a motion to accept the part of the bid for the outside for \$5860.00 not to exceed and paid out of 50% general funds and 50% TIF funds, seconded by Schenk. Myers yes, Scranton yes, Buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes, Schenk yes.

Brandon, and this time the header board will be wrapped in coil, so it won't hopefully rot again.

Mayor Flesner, the motion to accept the bid of \$5860.00 from Todd Flostad Construction to do the outside work at the Police Department passes unanimously.

Myers, could I say one thing? Dane, yes. Myers, I have had complaints about 440 East Main the junk yard. Brandon, which one is that? Myers, Jeff. Brandon, ok. Myers, you know that is not zoned for a junk yard. Brandon, we will get on him again. He has cleaned up a bunch and moved some stuff to the back side but we will get back on him. Schenk, one more thing Dusty on South Street can you throw some asphalt down on some of the pot holes? Dusty, on South Street? Schenk, yes by Deer Ridge I believe right by them. Dusty, ok yes. Myers, and my house in front and Chestnut.

Street and Alley

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Water/Sewer

Zoning

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Other Business-Schenk, yes has anyone else heard anything about the old Areyco station? Dane, last I heard they drilled, they were waiting for their test to come back on their drilling samples they took but that seems like a long time ago to me. Jim, they have to meet EPA guidelines. Vada, they have done it 2 years in a row about at the same time. Myers, any idea what the plans are for that? Dusty, the plans are to take the building down the reason they are doing the core drilling and all of that is because they are entitled to EPA money to help with old building and take any of the contaminated soil and all that out, so they are pursuing that. That is the last I heard anyway. Myers, weren't those fiberglass tanks that they removed? Dusty, yes but the dirt around it is what they are coring, the tanks are out. Brandon, how long do they have to core it? Dusty, I don't honestly know. Jim, our local representatives are that also, trying to get them move along the EPA.

Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn

Alderman Myers makes a motion to adjourn at 7:21 P.M., seconded by Scranton. Scranton yes, Buss yes, Lauren Jennings yes, Jim Jennings yes, Schenk yes, Myers yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Dunlap, City Clerk / Collector

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