

Members Present: Petty, Sloan and Thurow

Absent: none

Others Present: C. Giese, E. Geick, W. Petersen, T. Pinion and others

Call to Order –Ald. Petty called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. noting compliance with the Open Meeting Law. Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow to adopt the agenda and carried unanimously. Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow to approve the minutes of November 10, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Accounts Payable – Moved by Thurow, seconded by Sloan to recommend Council approval of the accounts payable for **\$705,077.96**. Motion carried unanimously.

Alma Waite Budget – The committee reviewed the proposed Alma Waite budget for 2016, recommending the contribution to Concerts on the Square in the amount of \$9877. Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow and carried unanimously to recommend to Council for action.

Sanitary Sewer Utility – Wade Petersen presented the 2016 budget noting a 1% increase for city customers and 1.5% increase for rural customers. The total budget is \$1,393,511 and capital projects were reviewed including Hwy W and capital equipment. Moved by Sloan seconded by Thurow and carried to recommend to Council for action.

Water Utility Budget– Wade Petersen presented the 2016 budget noting a 3% increase in water rates. Big projects are main replacements on Hwy W, near Circus World and on 4th Street. Moved by Thurow, seconded by Sloan and carried to recommend to Council for action.

Storm Water Utility – Tom Pinion recapped the stormwater projects for 2016, dredging a pond, and installations in conjunction with street projects. Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow and carried unanimously to recommend to Council for action.

Airport Budget –Cheryl Giese explained the Airport Budget for 2016 and covered the major project of designing the runway reconstruction. Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow and carried to recommend to Council for action.

Tax Levy – Ed Geick explained the tax levy was unchanged from the workshop several weeks ago. Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow and carried to recommend to Council for action.

Architectural Firms – Tom Pinion explained that proposals were accepted for architectural design of the proposed Public Safety building. Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow and carried to recommend to Council for action.

Budget Amendments – The Committee reviewed the 3rd quarter budget amendments. Moved by Thurow, seconded by Sloan and carried to recommend to Council for action.

Concerts on the Square – Moved by Sloan, seconded by Thurow and carried to recommend to Council for action, the request of Gerald Stich for \$9877 for the Concerts on the Square.

Committee Comments: None.

Adjournment – Moved by Thurow, seconded by Sloan and carried to adjourn. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Cheryl Giese, Clerk-Finance Director