

Finance Committee Meeting

February 16, 2016

The Finance Committee met Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room. Present were Committee Chairperson Susanne Galbraith and Committee Members Rachel Sloan and Dwayne Andrews and Kathy Wilcox.

Also present were Mayor Hollowell and Committee Recorder/City Clerk Lorrie Pearce.

Committee Chairperson Galbraith called the meeting to order.

1. Request of Citizens:

None

2. Discussion on sidewalks for Comstock residence

Mayor Hollowell explained that a sidewalk had been replaced by order of the City on 2316 Comstock. The resident requested that the expense of approximately \$5,000 be put on their taxes, so they could pay it off gradually.

The consensus of the committee was to deny the request for the following reasons:

- If approved, would open a can of worms because there are a lot of bad sidewalks in the City
- Felt the City needed to stick to the Ordinance

3. Discussion and Recommendation on Budget Amendment for the Parks Department

Chairperson Galbraith explained the decking was replaced 4 years ago at the swimming pool. At that time the joist and fasteners were to be sealed, which did not happen. Now the high water level has saturated the treated boards, and in time will ruin the treated wood. Treating the boards underneath will allow the City to keep the warranty on the decking for the full 20 years.

Clerk Pearce said that in her conversation with Director Gray, the total cost would be approximately \$12,000 instead of the \$10,000. Also, it would be the joist that received the seal and not the decking.

Committee Member asked where the money would come from. Chairperson Galbraith explained that it would come from the reserves in General Fund.

Clerk Pearce added Director Gray said the City starts filling the Oasis in March, so with approval the areas could be dried out and sealed before the filling begins.

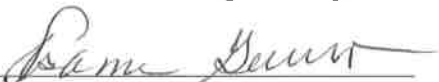
Committee Member Wilcox said that the sealant would add about 16 years of life to the deck and that's less than \$1,000 per swimming season.

*** Committee Member Wilcox moved to recommend to Council the approval of the budget amendment of \$12,000 for the swimming pool, seconded by Committee Member Sloan. The motion passed 4-0*

4. Adjournment

*** Committee Member Andrews moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committee Member Sloan and passed unanimously, 4-0.*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.


Susanne Galbraith, Chairperson


Lorrie Pearce Recorder/City Clerk