

## Finance Committee Meeting

March 3, 2016

The Finance Committee met Thursday, March 3, 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 Grant Writer/Historic Preservation Administrator Connie Muggli and Committee Recorder/City Clerk Lorrie Pearce.

Committee Chairperson Galbraith called the meeting to order.

**1. Request of Citizens:**

Administrator Muggli updated the committee on grants for the fire/ambulance department.

- There is a MDOT grant for the County that would allow the County to purchase an ambulance and then the City could lease it from the County
- CDBG does not have grants for purchasing equipment

**2. Discussion and Recommendation on Resolution No. 3890- A Resolution Establishing A Fund to be Known As The Downtown Urban Renewal District Agency Fund**

Administrator Muggli explained the Urban Renewal District Agency Fund is separated from the General Fund and the Resolution is to set that designated fund.

*\*\* Committee Member Andrews moved to recommend to Council the approval of the resolution, seconded by Committee Member Sloan. The motion passed 4-0*

**3. Discussion and Recommendation on Resolution No. 3891- A Resolution Pursuant to 7-6-4006 of the Montana Code Annotated, Authorizing Amendment of Final Budget for FY 2015-2016 to Increase the Budgeted Amount in Fund # 2310-383000 (101000) as the Result of the Downtown Urban Renewal District Agency Receiving A Façade Improvement Grant**

Administrator Muggli explained that the MCDURD Fund won a \$10,000 Montana Main Street grant to establish a façade improvement grant in Miles City. The problem is the grant will only be disbursed by the State twice throughout the project, the first time would be November. She is asking the General Fund to lend the MCDURD fund \$10,000 and Historic Preservation fund will give the fund \$2,000. She has a couple of people who have applied for the money from the grant and her concern was if the money is approved and granted to the recipients, they would have to wait for several months to receive funding. The recipients would have to purchase the items prior to receiving grant money to update the exterior and then reimbursement would come after the project is completed. She added that if the General Fund would loan the money, then the

MCDURD fund would transfer the money when dispursed by the State back into the General Fund . Also, Miles City and Kalispell will be the poster children for the façade grant and she would like it to be a great experience to share.

*\*\* Committee Member Andrews moved to recommend to Council the approval of the resolution, seconded by Committee Member Sloan. The motion passed 4-0*

4. Discussion and Recommendation on sending an amount of \$13,765.50 to collection for the Ambulance Fund

*\*\* Committee Member Galbraith moved to recommend to Council the approval of sending \$13,765.50 to collection for the Ambulance fund, seconded by Committee Member Wilcox. The motion passed 4-0*

**5. Adjournment**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

  
**Susanne Galbraith, Chairperson**

  
**Lorrie Pearce Recorder/City Clerk**