

**MINUTES OF A BUDGET WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2004, AT 3:37 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY
HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS**

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Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners DeTienne, Flammini, Bennett, Taylor and Mayor Harrison.

Public Works

The Council agreed to amend the following for Public Works:

- Eliminating Road & Bridge Allocations of \$144,487 and \$25,000 from Public Works General Fund and placing these amounts under Street & Bridge

The Council agreed to consider Brian Usher's request for capital outlay purchases of a paving roller and trailer, brush chipper, and the replacement of 2 dump trucks and 2 pickup trucks. All vehicles would include trading-in the current vehicles except for the brush chipper.

Street & Bridge

The \$144,487 and \$25,000 Road & Bridge Allocations would be placed under Street & Bridge.

Waterworks & Sewerage General

There were no recommended changes to the Waterworks & Sewerage General budget.

WW & S Operation & Maintenance

The Council agreed to consider Brian Usher's request for capital outlay purchases of a computer, software and office equipment.

Commissioner Taylor recommended utilizing WW & S Operation & Maintenance funds for the consideration of possibly purchasing additional property adjacent to the Public Works facility. Attorney Rolek stated this would be an appropriate use of these funds, so long as it shows a relationship of transfer and use of funds. Commissioner Bennett suggested utilizing the General Fund for this purpose. Mayor Harrison stated he would prefer using a portion of the General Fund for additional police personnel. Attorney Rolek stated the City could consider financing the land purchase through an installment contract utilizing the WW & S Operation & Maintenance fund for payments. The Council agreed for Attorney Rolek to pursue this option.

Waste Collection

It was agreed this account still needs to show the revenue received for fees charged to residents for waste carts.

The Council agreed to increase the Service Charge line item from \$35,000 to \$70,000.

Motor Fuel Tax (MFT)

The Council agreed to place \$10,000 in the Interest on Investments.

MFT should have an anticipated surplus of \$1,305,000 instead of \$1,875,890, due to previously approved expenditures of \$580,000 for the 2004 Street Maintenance Program.

Rescue

Chief LaBelle stated he has received verbal notice of the CDBG Grant for the pre-emption equipment. The Rescue's portion of revenue should reflect \$65,010, with a \$65,010 expenditure in Grant Purchases.

Impact Fees – Fire/Rescue

The revenue in Impact Fees should reflect \$57,920, with the expense to be transferred accordingly.

Fire

\$43,340 should be added to Grants Revenue, and \$43,340 should be added to Grant Purchases.

The Council agreed to consider Chief LaBelle's request for capital outlay purchases of a portable computer, generator, fan, Ford Explorer and grant purchases.

E 911 Telephone System

The Council agreed to increase the Office Furniture line item from \$2,000 to \$12,000.

Commissioner Taylor noted all departments are spending a large amount on memberships and training expenses, questioning whether or not all such expenses were necessary.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 6:44 p.m. Motion carried.

Approved May 18, 2004

City Clerk