

**WORK SESSION MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OCTOBER 28, 2015
CITY OF LAURIE, MISSOURI**

Val Ites called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. as Mayor Scott Fahrer was running late.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Scott Fahrer, Aldermen: Karen Dobbins, Val Ites, Greg Lux, Allen Kimberling, Clerk Ron Clarke, Chief of Police Mark Black

1. Discussed line items on PD budget:
 - a. Incremental increases in supplies, ammunition, equipment repairs, vehicle maintenance and offsetting these increases with a lower fuel budget.
 - b. Discussed new police vehicle vs. continued maintenance expense on the 2007 truck
 - i. RC will check with auditor where money for a new vehicle can come from and can we carry funds over to next year
 - ii. Mark will check on the cost
 - c. Discussed wages and replacing the full time officer
 - i. RC will research OT costs in 2015
2. Discussed sales tax projections, franchise tax, interest income
3. Greg reported the City Attorney recommended cutting Court income by 50% due to new Macs Creek law
4. Discussed wages and the need for a full time position for maintenance and to assist water and sewer.
5. Health insurance increases 9.2%. Dental, Vision, AD&D and Life stay flat
6. Property and liability insurance increase a little over 1.5%?
7. Discussed water and sewer revenue on budget
 - a. Discussed water tank maintenance agreement
 - b. RC to research
8. Discussed street fund and the need to give the engineer a budget number to include in his bid package. No one knew if we could roll unexpended funds into next year or if we had to budget only as much as we projected for revenue through May. Or if we could use bank account funds
 - a. RC will check with auditor
 - b. Decided to let bids out for two weeks once we finalize the bid package as there is virtually no chance of making significant repairs this year
9. Discussed CH computer expenses and the need to upgrade
10. Discussed CH maintenance budget
 - a. Insulating aluminum frame windows to eliminate pest encroachment
 - b. Sound deadening in the board room
11. Need to add Scott Craig to the pension fund – no budget increase in PD
12. Need to increase CH utilities to \$18,200 (+\$5,500) – should be able to reduce budgeted amounts in water and sewer to make up the difference
13. Election costs – should not change
14. Sickle mower - \$7,500

15. Asphalt Roller – probably not
16. Will need to increase sewer maintenance budget from \$8,000 to \$12,000 to include UV bulbs and grinder pumps
17. Will we incur Westside Sign expense in 2016?
 - a. RC to find out how to account for this.

Discussed where to have the Christmas party

Reviewed bids from Vinny's, JJ's, and Clubhouse Pub (Mac's declined)

Karen moved to have the party at the Clubhouse Pub

Allen seconded

All approved

Discussed date – If December 13th was still available we would prefer that otherwise the 6th.

The next budget work session will be November 5th 4:00 pm.

Adjourn

Greg Lux made a motion to adjourn. Val Ites seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Scott Fahrner, Mayor

Attest:

Ron Clarke, City Clerk