

**WORK SESSION MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
NOVEMBER 15, 2016 5:30 P.M.
CITY OF LAURIE, MISSOURI**

Mayor Allen Kimberling called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Allen Kimberling, Aldermen: Karen Dobbins, Carol Gill, Jeff Chorpening, Herb Keck. Others present were City Clerk Ron Clarke

2017 Budget Review

1. Events budget is complete
2. Events wages have been adjusted to reflect more accurate wage rates per event
3. Health insurance increase 7%
4. No Dental, Vision, AD&D and Life increase
5. Property and liability insurance increase supposed to be minimal
6. West Side Sign expense reduced to \$5,000
7. General Fund departments have adjusted expenditures based on YTD
8. Water and Sewer Bond requires the city to collect revenues at the rate of 110% of expenses. We are at 110% after capital expenses.

Alderman Keck pointed out that the NID Bond expenses reflected in the budget should be offset by county property taxes assessed on those individuals in the NID development area. City Clerk Clarke responded he would verify that.

Capital Expense Considerations and Requests:

• Road Repairs	\$200,000	Street Sales Tax
• New Plow Truck	\$44,000	Street Sales Tax
• Update CH Security System	\$2,000	CH Capital Fund
• New Copy Machine / Fax / Scanner	\$4,000	CH Capital Fund
• Added Capital for lift/grinder pump replacements	\$50,000	Sewer Capital Fund
• Added Capital for Water Meter Replacement	\$50,000	Water Capital Fund
• Install Security at WWTP	\$2,500	

The WASE budget shows taking \$50,000 each from the capital reserve accounts.

The GF budget shows taking \$6,000 from the GF/Maint Capital reserve account.

The Maintenance MV budget shows using \$22,000 to \$30,000 from the Street Fund MV Gas Tax reserve (depending on wage increases).

The Street Sales Tax budget shows using \$84,500 from the Street Sales Tax Reserve Fund

The Board reviewed the current Cash on Hand report and the adjusted expenditures worksheet containing adjustments for health insurance, wages, etc. There was discussion about the wage rate for the police department and difficulty getting officers to apply when surrounding communities were paying better. The Board also discussed the many

responsibilities the public works employees are expected to perform, sometimes in adverse conditions. Alderman Keck made a motion to approve the budget version with \$1/hr. increase for all full time employees. Alderman Gill seconded. The motion was passed unanimously. City Clerk Clarke said he would have the official budget packet ready for approval at the December Board meeting.

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Gill seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm

Allen Kimberling, Mayor

Attest:

Ron Clarke, City Clerk