



City of Muscatine

MINUTES

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Road Use Tax

Capital Projects

Review of Options to Reduce Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

Finance Director Nancy Lueck gave an overview of the following funds associated with the City of Muscatine.

Local Option Sales Tax: History and Uses

Road Use Tax Fund - Examples of uses - Park Avenue Bridge, Fulliam Avenue, Grandview Sidewalks etc.

Collection and Drainage Fund statement review

ARPA Funds - Review of usage of ARPA funds and proposed uses of remaining ARPA funds.

Councilmembers had questions regarding when the ARPA funds need to be obligated and used. There was discussion regarding the use of remaining ARPA funds to ensure there was enough funding for the Indoor Sports Dome startup and finalization.

Rich Klimes was asked to share information on the plans and timelines for the planning and construction of the Dome. Mr. Klimes stated he anticipated having the plans and specifications for Council in April and completion of the dome by October.

Brian Stineman was asked to share information regarding the cost and application of the Asset management software. Mr. Stineman stated the software would save time and be more efficient for the building and grounds staff for creating ongoing maintenance schedules, tracking of supplies used, handling work orders more efficiently and manage the replacement of city equipment.

Ms. Lueck reviewed the Capital Projects for the past year and upcoming year.

Councilmembers went into discussion regarding finalization of the budget and discussed options for reduction to keep the tax rate flat.

Items discussed included purchase of police vehicles, repairs of cemetery gate and fencing (can use leftover bond funds for these repairs), replacement of canine that was recently euthanized.

Outside agencies were reviewed individually with the following decisions:

Senior Resources - Council agreed to fund at the same rate as last year

GMCCI - Council agreed to fund at the same rate as last year

Legal Services - Council agreed that the City paying and the County Paying would cost the citizens twice and chose not to fund at this time.

Humane Society - Council did not come to an agreement on this item and will discuss in more detail when Councilmember Lampe is back.

Councilmembers agreed to the proposed budget as discussed and agreed to cancel the following meeting on Feb 22.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Lewis motioned to adjourn at 9:55 p.m.