FINANCE COMMITTEE August 15, 2019

Members Also Present

Chairman BuddTreasurer NationCarol EndsleyAlderman BryantAlderman OliveOwn LasswellAlderman BurtleAlderman SkultetyDustin ClarkAlderman LanzottiJim AdcockSteve Craggs

Mayor Barry

Chairman Budd called the meeting to order 6:50 P.M.

Optimist Club Fireworks Contribution

Mr. Jim Adcock, representing the Optimist Club, informed the Committee that Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. will continue providing the fireworks and display provided the club will sign a new three-year commitment to lock in a rate. He is requesting a three-year commitment of \$7,500.00 each year from the City of Taylorville. Mr. Adcock also informed the Committee that the annual cost for the fireworks has increased to \$20,000.00 each year.

Motion by Aldermen Burtle and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to contribute \$7,500.00 each year for three years to the Optimist Club for the Fourth of July Fireworks Display with the \$7,500.00 coming from the Hotel/Motel Tax each year. Motion carried 3-1.

Business Development District (BDD) Request for Benefits/100 & 102 South Main Street

A request was submitted for BDD benefits by Mr. Dustin Clark for 100 & 102 South Main Street. The BDD Committee has approved this request and forwarded on to the Finance Committee for their approval. Mr. Clark was in attendance to answered the Committee's questions. The motion to approve the request of BDD Benefits for 100 & 102 South Main Street will be placed on the September 3, 2019 City Council Agenda.

Azavar Agreement

The Mayor, Chairman Budd, and the City Attorney continue reviewing the Agreement.

Dredging of Lake Taylorville

The Committee discussed the suggestions presented by Alderman Dorchinecz for generating revenue to begin the project of Dredging Lake Taylorville. It was suggested if the Ordinance is approved to impose a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax, that this revenue be earmarked for dredging of the lake. The Committee also discussed raising the Lake Lot and Campground Leases and would like to have a definite number of Lake Lots and Campgrounds to determine an amount of increase for the next Finance Committee Meeting.

Safety Awards

The monthly Safety Award and the end of year Safety Awards were discussed. Chairman Budd would like a motion to cut the each award amount in half.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to decrease the two monthly Safety Awards to \$50.00 each and decrease the year end Safety Awards by one-half, that being one award at \$250.00 and two awards at \$100.00 each. Motion carried 3-0-1 abstain.

IML Conference Expenses

Chairman Budd is requesting that the City pay the full amount of the Conference Registration Fee and also the full Hotel Fee for the elected officials attending the IML Conference.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the Travel, Meal and Lodging Expense Reimbursement Policy to pay the full Conference Registration Fee and the full Hotel Fee for the elected officials attending the IML Conference. The elected official must attend the daily meetings. Mileage, parking, train, taxi cabs and/or Uber will not be included. Motion carried 4-0.

Finance and Ordinance Committee Meeting Date Change

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to change the September Finance and Ordinance Committee Meeting Dates to Tuesday, September 17, 2019. Motion carried 4-0.

Treasurer's Report

The May 2019 Sales Tax (received in August was \$241,789.61 compared to \$235,966.88 in May 2018 and year-to-date is \$29,144.68 more than 2018.

The May 2019 Non-Home Rule Sales Tax (received in August) was \$99,181.00 compared to \$101,123.83 in May 2018 and year-to-date is \$11,014.04 more than 2018.

The May 2019 BDD Tax (received in August) was \$105,897.63 and the total year-to-date is \$460,884.41.

Treasurer Nation informed the Committee that the Telecom Tax has decreased substantially last year and this year and she has to transfer from the pooled cash to cover the amount for the loans for the Fire Station and the Ladder Truck/Basement. Other money coming in from other sources will still need to fund this payment until the bond/loan ends in 2031.

Christian County Real Estate Tax Distribution

The City received the first distribution of Real Estate Taxes on 7/19/19 of \$1,429,599.73 and of this amount \$312,013.05 was deposited to the Police Pension Fund and \$257,192.05 was deposited to the Fire Pension Fund. Also received was \$8,079.66 for the TIF District 1.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion carried 4-0.

Any Other Matters

The Committee discussed the Leopardo Proposal and an opinion email from the City Attorney. It was suggested that this proposal would not benefit the City of Taylorville at this time. Also discussed was an email from Fire Chief Crews stating that an additional \$4,600.00 will be due for the repair of the Siren's computer software.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. The motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Larry Budd, Chairman Finance Committee