

A worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, April 2, 2012, at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons Brown, Greenhoe, Harri and Norris. None were absent.

Administrative Staff Present was City Manager Jon Stoppels, City Assessor Mike Baker, Police Chief Paul Malewski, Fire Chief Roger McNutt, Deputy Treasurer Carla Mazur, Building Inspector Jon Hill and Recording Clerk Julie Kunkel.

Purpose of the meeting was a worksession. Notice of the meeting was duly given.

**Public Comments:**

Russ Hicks, from the Paddle Club, passed around an update on the River Rapids Project.

**Department Head Reports:**

None.

**Old Business Topics of Discussion were:**

Fire Chief McNutt reviewed with Council the packets for the Training Center being located in the North Industrial Park and answered questions of Council. Chief McNutt stated that he will be presenting this to Meridian as well as the LDFA before Council would act on this.

Council reviewed the funding for the City Clock. After a lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to have sponsorship at the \$1,000 level, with a line item created for \$500, and each Councilmember contributing an additional \$100 each.

Council reviewed the fountain at Memorial Park. After a lengthy discussion, it was the concensus of Council to have this issue reviewed by the Parks Board and have their recommendation come back to Council.

**New Business Topics of Discussion were:**

None.

**Public Comments:**

Police Chief Malewski reviewed with Council the interviews that have been scheduled and the addition of two more Officers.

**Closed Session**

Councilman Norris moved Council go into Closed Session regarding contract negotiations/grievance with the Fraternal Order of Police; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously. Council went into Closed Session at 6:00 p.m.

Councilman Norris moved Council reconvene back into Open Session; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously. Council reconvened back into Open Session at 6:25 p.m.

Councilman Norris moved Council go into Closed Session regarding the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Administrative Staff; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously. Council went into Closed Session at 6:25 p.m.

Councilman Norris moved Council reconvene back into Open Session; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously. Council reconvened back into Open Session at 6:35 p.m.

Councilman Norris moved Council go into Closed Session regarding the grievance with the DPW; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously. Council went into Closed Session at 6:35 p.m.

Councilman Norris moved Council reconvene back into Open Session; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously. Council reconvened back into Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Steven G. Platte, Mayor

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Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk