

A worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, May 19, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons Harri, Brown and Burke. Councilman McGee was absent and excused.

Administrative Staff Present was City Manager Jon Stoppels, Utility Director Scott Poyer, City Assessor Mike Baker, Police Chief Larry Weeks, Fire Chief Roger McNutt, Building Inspector Jon Hill, Acting Treasurer Marrie Jo Drake and City Clerk Kristy Reinecke.

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

**Public Comments:**

Barb Lietzke, 1303 Hall Street, appeared before Council regarding the Dollar General Store detention pond and thanking Councilman Burke for his service to the citizens.

**Department Head Reports:**

Police Chief Weeks reported on the following: that the Humane Society will be hosting a Pet Fair for Eaton County residents at the Animal Control Office on Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and passed out flyers to Council.

**New Business Topics of Discussion were:**

Mayor Platte reviewed with Council the proposed Playground of Dreams project and that the City will be ordering the new structure in the next few weeks and that there is an anticipated July 27<sup>th</sup> build date. Council thanked Mayor Platte for the update.

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with Council the Safe Routes to School project and that he had attended the School Board meeting and the School would be funding \$25,000 towards the project. Utility Director Poyer stated that the project has expanded and there could be an additional cost between \$10,000 to \$15,000 for Engineering Services and that Council would need to approve this additional cost. This item will appear on the May 27<sup>th</sup> Agenda.

Police Chief Weeks reviewed with Council his budget for the current year. Police Chief Weeks stated that due to vacant positions on staff and other items that have not been purchased, that he has an excess in his budget and would like to adjust his budget to purchase some much needed equipment. Council thanked Chief Weeks for the update. This item will appear on the May 27<sup>th</sup> Agenda.

**Old Business Topics of Discussion were:**

City Manager Stoppels reviewed the proposed budget with Council. Council reviewed the Parks Funds, DDA Fund and Utility Funds. Council will continue to review the budget at future worksessions.

**Public Comments:**

Barb Lietzke, 1303 Hall Street, appeared before Council regarding utility rates.

**Council Comments for the Good of the Order:**

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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Steven G. Platte, Mayor

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Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk