

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
November 8, 2010
City Hall - First Floor Hearing Room West

Chairperson Scott McMeans called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM

Present: Alderpersons, Scott McMeans, Christopher T. Able, Allan Schema, Matt Kadow, and Alex Olson.

Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Justin Nickels, Interim Finance Director Tony Scherer, Alderpersons Dave Soeldner, Jill Hennessey, Jason Sladky and Nicholas Levendusky, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Valerie Melon, City Planner David Less, Director of Building Inspection/Facilities Manager Jim Muenzenmeyer, City Assessor Sarah Hoppe, Deputy Fire Chief Gregg Kadow, DPW Business Manager Mike Huck, City Employees James Dufek and Jack Ploederl, and HTR reporter Charlie Mathews.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Alderperson Kadow and second by Alderperson Able to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2010 Finance Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

2011 City Budget

The Committee began the process of examining the 2011 Executive Budget proposal.

Mayor Justin Nickels provided handouts to the Finance Committee and proceeded to explain his process and the decisions made as he assembled his 2011 Executive Budget for the City of Manitowoc. Mayor Nickels and Interim Finance Director Tony Scherer reported on, and answered Committee and attendee questions regarding the following topics: Operational budget reductions, wage and benefit adjustments, employee retirements, 2010 carry-forwards, capital projects, bonding for information technology items, union negotiations, borrowing from Wastewater Treatment Facility, budget placement of legal fees, storm water costs, relocation of Park & Recreation offices and staff, and re-siding of Citizen Park storage & maintenance facility. Alderman Sladky and City Planner Dave Less requested that the meeting handouts be provided to the remaining alderpersons and Department Heads respectively, to assist them in their review of the 2011 Executive Budget as well.

The Committee will meet again on Thursday, November 11th at 5:30 PM to continue the 2011 budget discussion.

Motion by Alderperson Schema and second by Alderperson Able to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson McMeans declared the meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Alderperson Scott McMeans
Chairperson
Finance Committee

By: Anthony J. Scherer
Interim Finance Director

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