



**Board of Aldermen Public Hearing Minutes
Monday, December 3, 2018 at 6:45 p.m.**

Mayor Blum called the Public Hearing to order at 6:45 p.m.

Present were Mayor Blum, Administrator Dierker, Alderman Art Viehland, Alderman Janet Viehland, Alderman Amanda Sikes, Alderman Greg Talleur, and Attorney Voss.


Mayor Blum announced that this Public Hearing is to seek input on recommended adoption of the 2019 Annual Appropriations. Administrator Dierker stated there were a few minor updates made to the budget which included some typos from the original budget meeting that was held last month. He said the total budget for all funds is slightly over \$6 million. He said the only other item that is a notable change is there were some certifications completed by two employees in the Public Works Department and received a salary increased based on that and therefore reflected on their wages in 2019. He also mentioned a police clerk gave her notice and therefore she was removed, and a new clerk line was added. Administrator Dierker said if anyone had any questions, he would be happy to answer them or explain. He did mention the budget is balanced again this year and glad we can get a lot of things done and accomplished in 2019 as we have in previous years.

Mayor Blum opened the floor to the public to anyone who wishes to speak.

Ms. Pat Wilson, 907 Q Avenue, St. Clair, said she thinks any public meeting that we have should be on the city's calendar and said the only place she referenced it was on the back of an agenda previously. Administrator Dierker said the agenda was placed on the website, but maybe not on the actual calendar. He said it was discussed at a few prior meetings and it is always posted outside of City Hall but can add it to the city calendar and said that is not a problem. Ms. Wilson said the only other thing question she has is why we are leasing a dump truck, a backhoe and a sewer camera instead of buying them. Administrator Dierker explained those three items were combined into a large lease that was purchased and is a lease to own. Ms. Wilson asked about \$50,000 for airport clearing and asked why we are clearing the airport that we are not doing anything with. Mayor Blum explained it was decided to appropriate \$50,000 for cleaning or removing brush between the interstate and the airport to make that property more visible and more attractive for development.

Mayor Blum announced he was about to close the Public Hearing if anyone had any additional questions or comments about the 2019 Annual Appropriations and none were made.

Mayor Blum closed this Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.



Ron Blum, Mayor

Date Approved: 17 DEC 2018

Attest:



Kim French, City Clerk