

## COUNCIL WORK SESSION – JUNE 21, 2011

The Work Session of the Common Council of the City of Marshall was held on June 21, 2011 in the Professional Room at the Marshall Middle School, 401 South Saratoga Street. The work session was called to order at 5:58 P.M. by Mayor Byrnes. In addition to Byrnes the following members were present: Hulsizer, Doom, Sanow, DeCramer, Boedigheimer and Ritter. Absent: None. Staff present included: Ben Martig, City Administrator; Cathy Lee, Administrative Assistant; Jane DeVries, Deputy City Clerk and Thomas M. Meulebroeck, Financial Director/City Clerk.

### **REVIEW OF CITY-RELATED TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS (CITY, COUNTY AND MN/DOT APPOINTED OFFICIALS):**

Mel Odens, District 8 State Aid Engineer; Suzanne Karnowski, P.E. District 8 Program and Project Development Engineer and Craig Gertsema, Marshall Regional Maintenance Supervisor were all in attendance at the meeting representing MN/DOT.

Suzanne Karnowski, provided a power point presentation on the proposed MN/DOT projects for the next 4 years.

Suhail Kunwai, Lyon County Engineer, was in attendance at the meeting. Mr. Kunwai indicated that the County is working with the City of Marshall on the Country Club Drive project.

### **DEMONSTRATION OF ELECTRONIC MEETING SOFTWARE – FRANK RESTA (INTERCOM NETWORKS):**

Frank Resta, Intercom Networks and Todd Pickthorn, IT Marshall Public Schools, provided a power point demonstration of the Electronic Meeting Software. This is the program that the Marshall Public School Board currently uses for their meetings. The mayor and council members were all provided with hands on experience.

### **REVIEW OF CITY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TOPICS – A. CITY AUDIT AND CURRENT FISCAL CONDITIONS; B. 2011 STATE BUDGET IMPACTS ON LGA, MVHC AND OTHER; C. 2012 CITY BUDGET PROCESS:**

Ben Martig, City Administrator, briefly addressed the City's Audit and current fiscal conditions; the 2011 State Budget impacts on LGA, MVHC and other state related items that are currently at an impasse; and the 2012 City budget process and in particular the Debt Service Issues and Personnel costs.

### **DISCUSS PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT IMPLEMENTATION.**

In 2010, the Legislature created the Council on Local Results and Innovation. In February 2011, the Council released a standard set of ten performance measures for counties and ten performance measures for cities that will aid residents, taxpayers, and state and local elected officials in determining the efficacy of counties and cities in providing services, and measure residents' opinions of those services. Participation in the standard measures program by a city or a county is voluntary.

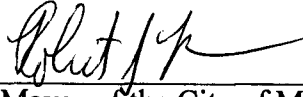
Cities that choose to participate in the new standards measure program may be eligible for a reimbursement in LGA, and exemption from levy limits. A city that elects to participate in the standard measures program for 2011 is eligible for a reimbursement of \$0.14 per capita in local government aid (\$1915.20 for Marshall), not to exceed \$25,000 and is also exempt from levy limits under sections 275.70 to 275.74 for taxes payable in 2012, if levy limits are in effect.

In order to receive the per capita reimbursement in 2011, and levy limit exemption for calendar year 2012, the City must adopt and implement the 10 performance measures in 2011 and file a report with the Office of the State Auditor by July 1, 2011.

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Ritter moved, Sanow seconded, that the City of Marshall adopt the State Performance Measurements. All voted in favor of the motion, except Boedigheimer who voted no.

Boedigheimer moved, DeCramer seconded, that the work session be adjourned. All voted in favor of the motion.

  
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Mayor of the City of Marshall

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Financial Director/City Clerk