

COUNCIL WORK SESSION – SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

The work session of the Common Council of the City of Marshall was held on September 15, 2015 in the Professional Development Room at the Marshall Middle School, 401 South Saratoga Street. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Mayor Byrnes. In addition to Byrnes the following members were present: Schafer, Doom, Bayerkohler, DeCramer, Sturrock and Conyers. Absent: none. Staff present included: Ben Martig, City Administrator; and Thomas M. Meulebroeck, Finance Director/City Clerk. Others in attendance were Sheldon Kimpling from Bremer Insurance and Deb Gau from the Marshall Independent.

CONSIDER 2016 LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA CITIES INSURANCE TRUST PROPERTY/CASUALTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE:

Sheldon Kimpling from Bremer Insurance was in attendance at the meeting to review the City's Property, General Liability, Auto, Liquor Liability, Excess Liability, Airport and Boiler Insurance effective October 1, 2015. The major changes addressed were:

1. Overall, the experience rating the LMCIT has assigned to the City of Marshall improved drastically from .908 to .824.
2. Property Coverage had a 3.2% rate increase and the property values increased by 1.70%
3. General Liability Coverage had a 3% rate decrease change and the exposures were up slightly from last year.
4. Auto Coverages – Auto Physical Damage coverage & Auto Liability coverage had no rate change. Vehicle changes caused the exposure to increase slightly.
5. Liquor Liability had no rate change but had a \$ 92,801 exposure increase.
6. Excess Liability Coverage – same as general liability.
7. Airport Liability Coverage – We locked in the rate for a 3-year guarantee last year so no rate changes through next year.
8. Boiler Coverage had no rate change and adjusted to the higher property values.
9. Bond Coverage – This is subject to the overall package from a crediting / debiting standpoint and had an 8% premium increase (+\$126.00)

Schafer moved, Sturrock seconded, approval of the renewal of the LMCIT Property, General Liability, Auto, Liquor Liability, Excess Liability, Airport and Boiler Insurance for October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 without Terrorism Coverage at a cost of \$348,168. All voted in favor of the motion.

REVIEW 2016 PRELIMINARY LEVY AND BUDGET RESOLUTION:

Ben provided two (2) scenarios for the 2016 Preliminary Levy. One scenario had a 3.1% increase and the other a 5.1% increase. Both scenarios reflected a 2.8% growth factor. The options were discussed. Ben will provide a final proposed Preliminary Levy at the September 22, 2015 City Council meeting.

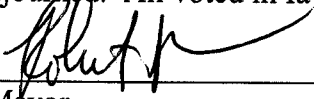
Ben indicated that staff is reviewing the proposals for furniture at the MERIT Center.

A quote from Premium Liquor Display Cabinet at the new Liquor Store is being reviewed.

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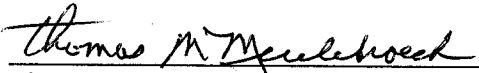
City staff is continuing to gather the budget requests for 2016 and will be presenting a preliminary budget in the near future.

Schafer moved, Sturrock seconded, the meeting be adjourned. All voted in favor of the motion.



Mayor

ATTEST:



Finance Director/City Clerk