

Committee of the Whole  
September 25, 2023

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Ward. Roll call: Ward, Bacon, Statz, Williams, Gustafson, Nault, Wiederanders and Reeths were present. Staff present: City Administrator VanLieshout, Finance Director/City Treasurer Clarizio, City Clerk/Human Resource Director Reinhardt, Municipal Services Superintendent Barker, City Engineer Shefchik, Fire Chief Dietman, Assistant Fire Chief Montevideo, Police Chief Henry and Police Captain Hougaard. Also present: Sturgeon Bay Utilities General Manager Stawicki, members of the public and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Spittlemeister.

Williams/Statz to adopt agenda.

1. Call to order.
2. Roll call.
3. Adoption of agenda.
4. Consideration of: 2024 Budget.
5. Adjourn.

Carried.

Consideration of: 2024 Budget:

Mr. VanLieshout gave a power point presentation on the proposed 2024 Budget. The budget principles set forth were reviewed and remain in place. Favorable budget factors include new construction, closing of TID #1, increased Shared Revenue and Transportation Aids, interest income, great credit rating and not adding additional services. Levy Limits and legislative mandates remain as unfavorable budget factors, in addition to rising costs for capital and operating.

Fire contract with the Town of Sevastopol was discussed.

The proposed 2024 Operating Budget was reviewed. Taxes are the largest source of revenue for the City, followed by Intergovernmental Revenue which includes Shared Revenue and Transportation Aids. Personnel expenditure continues to be the largest portion of operating expenses. Ratios for operating expenditures are similar in previous years for personnel, commodities and contractual.

The proposed 2024 Capital Budget was reviewed. Street resurfacing continues to be the largest capital improvement. A few proposed Capital projects include Storm Sewer outlay, Big Creek crossing, Sunset Park pavilion, Otumba tennis courts resurfacing, Bayview Bridge Trail and Sawyer dock replacement. The following proposed Capital purchases include dump truck, two 1-ton trucks, loader, street sweeper, squad car and various technology improvements. Bradley Lake project was discussed.

The next Committee of the Whole meeting will not take place. Consensus of the Committee is to approve the proposed 2024 budget and go before the Common Council on October 9<sup>th</sup> for the Special Common Council meeting. For that meeting, it was suggested to bring the following items forward to discuss and possibly include in the 2024 budget: Bradley Lake, Fire Station study and installation of cameras in the parks.

Williams/Reeths to recommend to Common Council to approve the 2024 Operating and Capital Budget. Carried.

Wiederanders/Nault to adjourn. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Spittlemeister  
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer