

February 5, 2018
Budget Workshop Minutes

The February 5, 2018, City Council budget workshop was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Staner with Rausch, Kelchen, Knepper, Hosch and Delaney answering roll call.

Motion by Kelchen, second by Knepper to approve the agenda as presented.

Council started the workshop by discussing budgeting for redoing the tennis courts and adding the pickle ball striping to the tennis courts. There may be alternatives to the redoing the tennis courts, such as white topping. The water issue needs to be addressed. Tile should be placed around the tennis courts and run the water to the waterway. It was decided to budget for the repair of the tennis courts and restriping for pickle ball. The specifics will be discussed when we decide to do the project.

During the discussion it was mentioned that we should get railings for the bleachers in the gym. Without the bleachers it poses a safety issue. Also, during the budget workshop there was discussion on the money that we pay to Cascade Economic Development for them to pay ECIA. Council thinks a workshop with CEDC following an upcoming meeting would be a good idea.

Also, during the workshop, City Hall would like to purchase software to start doing electronic records storage. The City Administrator would like to scan and store old documents as well as current documents. This would be the disaster recovery plan in case of a disaster. There is a company that does this but there may be other options. A committee of Mike Delaney and Riley Rausch will meet with the City Administrator to discuss the options.

McKinley Street was discussed. This will be an overlay project. The funds in the McKinley Street fund should be moved to the Street Improvement Fund. Street lights downtown were again discussed. Crescent Electric out of East Dubuque, IL could be consulted and get their opinion of what could be done downtown to add more lighting.

The next budget workshop will be held Monday, February 19th at 6:00pm.

With nothing further, Kelchen moved and Hosch seconded to adjourn at 7:52p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Deanna McCusker, City Administrator

Greg Staner, Mayor