

City of Reminderville Finance Committee September 24, 2024

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Mr. DiCarlo at 6:11pm

Roll Call

Mr. DiCarlo, present Mr. Wiggins, present Mr. Board, present

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Wiggins moved to approve the minutes from September 10, 2024. Mr. Board seconded. All in favor.

The committee went through the payment register.

Mr. DiCarlo moved to accept payments totaling \$737,869.54. Mr. Board seconded. All in favor.

Fire Chief Plunkett, Assistant Fire Chief Johns, and Captain Kestner presented the 2025 fire department budget request. Chief Plunkett stated the department was awarded the FEMA SAFER Grant for one million dollars to be paid over the next three years to be used for staffing including pension funding to meet the industry standard of having four firefighter paramedics on each shift. Right now the city has three on each shift. He would like to add three full-time firefighters to meet the industry standard. This will make a significant impact for the safety of the community. He added he will be retiring next year and Assistant Chief Johns will be moving up to the chief position and that will be a full-time position. The funds are in the budget for that change. Their budget is completely funded by the fire income tax. Assistant Chief Johns commended Chief Plunkett on how far the fire department has come from a resident volunteer-staffed department to a fully certified-staffed department.

Mr. Herrera presented the 2025 service department budget request. He stated there are no new vehicle purchases projected for 2025 and he is requesting a 5% pay increase for the staff rather than the traditional 3% to match the level of pay of surrounding communities. Capital projects include a new salt dome and a storage garage. He stated the preliminary renderings of the garage do not show room for the equipment that is stored at the shed in the Shores and the salt dome so there will need to be changes made.

Unfinished Business

New Business

The next meeting will be at 5:30pm with budget presentations from the police department and Reminderville Athletic Club.

Adjournment

Mr. Board moved to adjourn. Mr. DiCarlo seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Task, Clerk of Council City of Reminderville

Thomas DiCarlo, Chairman