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Meeting Minutes Finance and Personnel Committee

Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II
Vice Chairman Terry McCarthy
Dennis Wiser
Ronald D. Hart
O. Keith Fair

Monday, April 25, 2011

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call to Order & Roll Call

PRESENT: 3 - Q.A. Shakoor, II, Dennis Wiser and O. Keith Fair

EXCUSED: 2 - Terry McCarthy and Ronald D. Hart

The meeting commenced at 5:13 p.m.

Approval of minutes for the April 11, 2011 meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

1. [11-6281](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer requesting permission to apply for a Wisconsin DNR Grant for Water Quality Planning (Non-Point Source Pollutant Modeling) Grant Control No. 2011-014.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: Permission be granted for the Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer apply for a \$31,500 grant with the Wisconsin DNR (Grant Control No. 2011-014) to be utilized for the Water Quality Planning (Non-Point Source Pollutant Modeling) Project.

Fiscal Note: The total amount of the project will be \$45,000. The Wisconsin DNR Grant will provide \$31,500 and the City's cost will be \$13,500 being available in the 2012 Storm Water Utility Budget.

Attachments: [11-6281](#)

John Rooney, Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.

Recommended For Approval

2. [11-6282](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer requesting permission to apply for a Wisconsin DNR Grant for a Streambank Erosion Condition Report update - Grant

Control No. 2011-015.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: Permission be granted for the Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer apply for a \$70,000 Wisconsin DNR Grant (Grant Control No. 2011-015) to be utilized for the Streambank Erosion Condition Report update.

Fiscal Note: The total amount of the study will be \$100,000 . The Wisconsin DNR Grant will provide \$70,000 and the City's cost will be \$30,000 being available in the 2012 Storm Water Utility Budget.

Attachments: [11-6282](#)

John Rooney, Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.

Recommended For Approval

3. [11-6283](#)

Subject: Communication from the Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer requesting permission to apply for a Wisconsin DNR Grant for Lincoln Park Streambank Stabilization- Grant Control No. 2011-013.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: Permission be granted for the Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer apply for a \$100,000 Wisconsin DNR Grant (Grant Control No. 2011-013) to be utilized for the Lincoln Park Streambank Stabilization Project.

Fiscal Note: The total amount of the project will be \$200,000. The Wisconsin DNR Grant will provide \$100,000 and the City's cost will be \$100,000 being available in the 2012 Storm Water Utility Budget.

Attachments: [11-6283](#)

John Rooney, Interim Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.

Recommended For Approval

4. [11-6303](#)

Subject: Communications from the Fire Chief requesting permission to waive formal bidding for the acquisition of chemical monitoring equipment.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: Permission be granted for the Fire Chief to waive formal bidding for the chemical monitoring equipment know as the "PlumeRAE" System and the Purchasing Agent be authorized to

negotiate the purchase.

Fiscal Note: The item will be purchased through the \$50,000 2010 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant.

Attachments: [plumerae request 4 15 11](#)

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. He stated the company is the only one manufacturing the equipment that must be compatible with last years purchase of the AreaRAE computerized system. Collaborating with the City of Milwaukee's Fire Department in purchasing this equipment will enable them a good price.

Recommended For Approval

5. [11-6304](#)

Subject: Communications from the Fire Chief requesting permission to accept financial reimbursement for the Fire-Rescue International Drill.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: Permission be granted for the Fire Chief to accept \$1,202.44 from the Fire-Rescue International (FRI) and MABAS Illinois for participation in the August 2010 MABAS Illinois Readiness Drill.

Fiscal Note: These funds cover the entire cost for overtime and fuel associated with the Fire-Rescue International Readiness Drill. \$1,202.44 to be credited to account 101.300.7990 Miscellaneous Revenue - Fire.

Attachments: [fri-mabas ill reimbursement request 4 15 11](#)

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. Participation in the Fire-Rescue International Illinois Readiness Drill was conducted in August of 2010. The purpose of the drill was to assemble 270 fire and rescue agencies across the midwest to assemble in 3 separate areas in the City of Chicago within 90 minutes for a simulated tornado hit which was accomplished in 89 minutes. The funds will cover the cost of this drill at 100%.

Recommended For Approval

6. [11-6277](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to enter into agreements to provide Level I Health Services to the Villages of Elmwood Park and Wind Point.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the Villages of Elmwood Park and Wind Point to provide specific Level 1 Health Services to cover January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Fiscal Note: The proposed costs to the Villages of Elmwood Park will

be \$1,550 and Wind Point will be \$2,693.

Attachments: [Wind Point Elmwood Park 2011.pdf](#)

Marcia Fernholz, Director of Environmental Health, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.

Recommended For Approval

7. [11-6300](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept \$10,000 from Kenosha Country Club United for a Cure for the Racine Women's Health, Cancer Prevention and Treatment Fund.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: Permission be granted for the Public Health Administrator accept \$10,000 from the Kenosha Country Club United for a Cure to be utilized for the Racine Women's Health, Cancer Prevention and Treatment Fund and an appropriate letter of thanks be sent.

Fiscal Note: The donation is to be utilized for financial assistance for uninsured and under insured women in need of services related to breast and gynecological cancer screening.

Attachments: [Cancer Prevention \\$10,000 2011.pdf](#)

Marcia Fernholz, Director of Environmental Health, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.

Recommended For Approval

8. [11-6301](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept additional funding of \$15,612 from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for the Division of Public Health Contract Agreement Amendment for the Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC). (Grant Control #2010-046)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$15,612 amended contract with the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for the Division of Public Health (Grant Control #2010-046) to be utilized for the Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC).

Fiscal Note: The increased contract amount will be \$15,612. No match required on the part of the City.

Attachments: [WIC Breastfeeding Amend 2011.pdf](#)

Marcia Fernholz, Director of Environmental Health, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.

Recommended For Approval

9. [11-6270](#) **Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Mohinder Singh (d/b/a US Pantry) for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: Defer the item.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [singh_001](#)

Nicole Loop, Assistant City Attorney, and Michael Shields, Alderman of the 3rd District, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. Alderman Shields request the City pay the cost of repair of the sign that was allegedly damaged by the broken light pole. Mr. Singh, store owner requesting the claim, saw the condition of the swaying light pole and quickly called the police. Alderman Shields states if no payment for repair then DPW repair at the City's cost. Nicole request the claim be denied because the City did come to remove the lights at a reasonable 2 hour time frame. The Committee defers the item for the May 9th scheduled meeting when all Committee members will be present.

Deferred

10. [11-6271](#) **Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Noreen Burton for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 4-25-11: The claim of Noreen Burton, 131 Merrie Lane, requesting a reimbursement in the amount of \$2,106.86 for cleanup and items damaged during an alleged sewer backup into her basement on or about December 25, 2009 be denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [burton_001](#)

Nicole Loop, Assistant City Attorney, appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. She request the item be denied because of the 120 days passed to file a claim on the 2009 sewer backup allegedly damage to the claimant's basement.

Recommended For Denial

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 9, 2011 at City Hall, Room 301.

Respectfully submitted,

Ald. Q.A. Shakoor, Chairman
Finance & Personnel Committee