LEGAL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Rapid City, South Dakota

September 2, 2020

A Legal and Finance Committee meeting was held at the City/School Administration Center in Rapid City, South Dakota, on Wednesday, September 2, 2020, at 12:30 p.m.

A quorum was determined with the following members answering the roll call: Lance Lehmann, Laura Armstrong, Jason Salamun and Bill Evans. Absent: Darla Drew and Pat Jones

(NOTE: For sake of continuity, the following minutes are not necessarily in chronological order. Also, all referenced documents are on file with the Master Agenda.)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
Motion was made by Salamun second by Lehmann to adopt the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

CONSENT ITEMS
Motion was made by Evans, second by Lehmann to approve Items 1-9 as they appear on the Consent Items with the exception of Item No. 2. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS -- Items 1 – 9
Public Comment opened – Items 1 – 9
Public Comment closed

Remove Items from the “Consent Items” and Vote on Remaining Consent Items

1) Approve Minutes for August 12, 2020

POLICE DEPARTMENT
2) LF090220-09 – Lehmann asked Police Chief Don Hedrick to provide some detail on this item. Hedrick explained that this item is a change to a grant that the City Council had authorized in 2019, which was originally set up for coverage of a full-time police officer to partner with Great Plains Tribal Chairman’s Health Board. As the program progressed, there came a realization that it was probably a better fit to be more of a point of contact sort of partnership with the GPTCHB. There is a school liaison officer that works to identify kids that are struggling with at-risk behavior and as that point of contact, are able to get them services through the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Health Board and they then, have the ability to follow up on these at-risk youth. The partnership sees a lot of benefit and would like it to continue, but just in a different manner. Lehmann moved to Authorize the Mayor and Finance Officer to Sign the Amendment to Original Terms and Conditions of the Connecting with our Youth Grant through Great Plains Tribal Chairman’s Health Board. Second by Salamun. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
3) Acknowledge the Following Volunteers for Worker’s Compensation Purposes: Julie Adams (RSVP+), Irene Haivala (RSVP+), Nona Muckle (RSVP+), Rapid City Sustainability Committee: Karl Merbach (Parks Department), Lysann Zeller (Parks Department), Ria Harper (Parks Department), Jade Redleaf (Parks Department), Kevin Crosby (Parks Department), Akadia Crosby (Parks Department), Kelli Aarstad (Parks Department), Garth Wadsworth (Parks Department), Jordan Hannon (Parks Department); Boy Scout Troop: Gregg Holland (Parks Department), Isaac Holland (Parks Department), Ian Maharaj (Parks Department), Jinen Maharaj (Parks Department).
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Department), Paitone Palmer (Parks Department), Daniel Dunnigan (Parks Department), John VanderWall (Parks Department), Edward Dunnigan (Parks Department), Dale Hemminger (RSVP+), Dianne Hemminger (RSVP+) Evelyn Weaver (RSVP+), Ivan (Mike) Weaver (RSVP+), Christine Davis (RSVP+), Rodney Garnett (RSVP+), Michele Goodwin (RSVP+)

4) LF090220-01 – Acknowledge July 2020 General Fund Cash Balance Report

5) LF090220-02 – Acknowledge June 2020 Sales Tax Report

6) LF090220-03 – Approve Request for Property Tax Abatements as Follows: Angel Gerald, 2019, $62.02; [Total for all Rapid City: $62.02]

7) LF090220-04 – Approve Resolution No. 2020-067 a Resolution Declaring Miscellaneous Personal Property Surplus to be traded

8) LF090220-05 – Approve Resolution No. 2020-068 a Resolution Declaring Miscellaneous Personal Property Surplus to be discarded

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
9) LF090220-08 – Approve the Final FY20 Amendment to Resident Participation Plan

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

NON-CONSENT ITEMS – Items 10 – 14

Public Comment opened – Items 10 – 14
Public Comment closed

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
10) LF090220-06 – Salamun moved to approve the Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 6440 Regarding Supplemental Appropriation 6 for 2020. Second by Lehmann. Motion carried unanimously.

11) LF090220-10 – Salamun commented that he had reached out to the Finance Department to see if there was going to be a response and Finance did provide a printed response for the committee today, but it was not attached to the agenda. He just wants to make sure the responses will be included with the agenda for City Council. Salamun moved to send Approve Audit Report of City of Rapid City – 2019 Financial and Compliance Report to City Council without recommendation. Second by Lehmann. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
12) 20TP027 – Bill Evans pointed out a mistake on number 9 above under Community Development that refers to the “City School Administration Building” which needs corrected. Kelly Brennan from Long Range Planning gave a brief overview of the draft of the 2021 Unified Planning work Program for the Rapid City area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The document includes the annual activities, planning studies and products that will be developed in 2021. In addition to the usual products such as the traffic count book, the socioeconomic report and the TIP, the plan this year is to complete the US 16 Corridor Intersection Study, update the Transit Development Plan, complete the SD 79/Campbell Street Bridge Bike and Ped Study, update the Meade County Transportation Plan, and complete the I-90 Exit 63 Interchange Study. On top of those, the MPO is going to possibly update the Aerial Imagery for the entire MPO as well as building footprints.

13) LF090220-07 – Teri Corrigan from Behavior Management Systems provided an update regarding some of the Community Development Block Grant funding that is received each year. A portion of the funds go towards funding two positions, one full-time/one part-time, with a primary goal of assisting individuals in applying for medication assistance from the pharmaceutical companies. She said that in mental health, medications can go a long way in helping people find a recovery, give them the ability to do much better in their day-to-day functioning, create stability, and help to prevent things such as loss of jobs or homes. In 2019, approximately 357 individuals were assisted in obtaining medication assistance totaling over two and a half million dollars. Corrigan shared the numbers for April, May and June of 2020 which served 84 individuals, 65 new people who have not been assisted before through this grant totaling approximately $763,000.00 in medications. She said at the beginning of the pandemic there were a lot of changes happening quickly and they were able to transition a majority of their services to telehealth. The center offers such a wide array of services, some of which are so intensive for kids and families with serious mental illness as well as many other services, that they were not able to transition all of them fully to telehealth. Therefore, they have remained completely open to provide support for crisis situations through the crisis care center at the Care Campus. They have seen pretty stable numbers, so not a huge increase or decrease for crisis services there. One of their unique partnerships is working with the Rapid City area schools where they have counseling staff in 13 of the schools. They saw a sharp drop in their kids and family services as the pandemic started and schools closed but they will be going back into the schools for this upcoming school year. Overall what the center is hearing from people is a lot of unrest, anxiety, fear, and just waiting to see what the long term effects will be on a society that has changed so quickly. Lehmann moved to Acknowledge the Behavior Management Systems CDBG/Mental Health Update with Speaker Teri Corrigan. Second by Salamun. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS
14) PW090120-09 – Solid Waste Superintendent Jeff Barber personally invited the Committee to take a tour of the Solid Waste Facility. Evans expressed how important it is for all City Council members to tour the facility because now is the time to be thinking about the City’s next phase for the facility, especially with some very important votes coming up after the first of the year. He said it is critical that people voting have a solid knowledge base and know exactly what they are spending this money on and how it will be setting the City up for the next 30 or 40 years in terms of sustainability, recycling and land use. Lehmann moved to Acknowledge the Invitation to City Council Members to Tour Solid Waste Facility. Second by Evans. Motion carried unanimously.

Armstrong took a point of personal privilege and addressed the increasing numbers of COVID 19 cases in the state, especially within the Black Hills area. She conveyed her concern regarding the fact that more and more people are getting ill, and as a community, this virus/pandemic must be taken seriously. It is our civic duty and it is of the utmost importance to be respectful and help our community for the health and safety of the general public. Armstrong strongly encourages everyone step up and follow the CDC guidelines by washing hands more, social distance, avoid large crowds, and wear masks or appropriate face coverings. She proclaimed that it is imperative to protect our health care professionals, students, teachers, all school employees, first responders, pastors, the air force base, elders, veterans, neighbors, each other and ourselves.

ADJOURN
There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, motion was made by Lehmann second by Evans and carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 p.m.