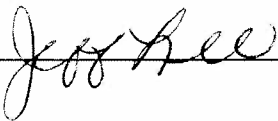


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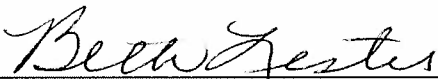
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**CITY OF MUSCATINE  
BUDGET REVIEW SESSION  
Lower Level Conference Room  
8:00 a.m. - February 9, 2008**

Mayor Richard O'Brien called the budget review session for Saturday, February 9, 2008, to order at 8:00 a.m. Councilmembers present were Bynum, Howard, Shihadeh, Lange, and Roby. Also present were City Administrator A.J. Johnson and Finance Director Nancy Lueck.

The first item on the agenda was a review of the Water Pollution Control Plant activities. Roger Kirby, the newly appointed WPCP Director, was present to answer questions. The general discussion concerning the WPCP focused on the multi-year improvement that is being planned beginning in 2008. Mr. Kirby indicated that the design work is approximately 50% done and that we anticipate going out for bids in the summer of 2008 with a potential fall construction date. He stated that since the construction period would be upwards of 30 months the city should be able to attract quality contractors from a wider area to bid on the project.

There were questions concerning the ability to raise additional revenues through our laboratory system which will be followed up with.

The next item for discussion was the transit program. Ann Harrison, Transit Supervisor, and Randy Hill, Public Works Director, were present. There were no specific questions and an overview of the transit operation was given.

The next item for consideration was the overview of the three components of the solid waste operation (refuse collection, landfill, and transfer station). Laura Liegois, Solid Waste Manager, and Mr. Hill were present. Under refuse collection, explanations of the various programs were given. Also, staff outlined a proposed rate increase for refuse collection for both residential, senior residential, and commercial accounts. There was discussion concerning the various programs that are offered and the need to continue to provide outreach information to the residents to ensure that they understand any potential fees associated with these services and the services that are delivered in total. There was also discussion concerning recycling efforts. It was noted that the Council has indicated that one of their goals for 2008 is to review volume-based rates and recycling-related issues. This information will be brought before City Council at a future date.

The next portion of the discussion shifted to landfill operations. There were comments concerning the development of a long range plan both physical and operational for the landfill. Ms. Liegois assured Council that these activities are ongoing and that the operational plan

update will be presented to City Council at their March in-depth meeting. There was general discussion concerning the recent interaction between the city and the IDNR concerning land fill issues as well.

The next item for discussion was the transfer station operation. An overview was given by staff members.

Nathan Reichert, State Representative of the 80th District, was present to review activities that are taking place at the State House.

Council then moved on to discussions concerning golf. Rich Klimes, Ryan Smith, Randy Moeller, Nick Gow, Les Dennis, and Marissa Boldon were present for these discussions. There was also a review of proposed fee increases. There was also discussion concerning fund balances and the improvements that are being made to the golf course following the fire of 2007.

Council moved on to discussion concerning the boat harbor. There was discussion concerning maintenance of the dredge and associated activities. Also, staff indicated that a pump-out facility would be provided for boaters. Whether or not a fee would be charged is yet to be determined.

The last item to discuss was the marina operation. It was pointed out that the city still has a contractual arrangement with Dan Werner to provide these services for the city.

Council then shifted their discussion to the ambulance activity. Assistant Chief Jerry Ewers was present to answer questions. It was noted that this operation has seen a significant increase in revenues from last year.

Council also talked about the airport operation and the various plans associated with that activity and also discussed parking.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
A.J. Johnson  
City Administrator